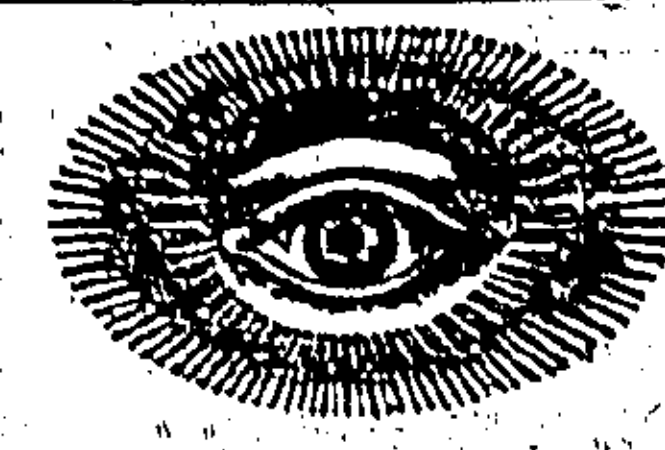


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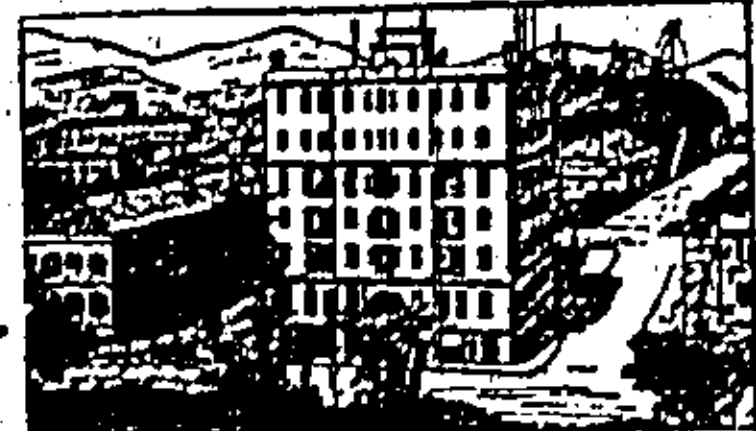
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The Home papers are still showing considerable interest in the personality of Mr. Eugene Chen, the Nationalist Minister for Foreign Affairs.

A correspondent of the *Manchester Guardian* writes: "Some years ago I was seated in the corner of a compartment of the trans-Siberian express that was about to leave Moscow on its five thousand miles journey to Harbin when a thoughtful-looking Chinese, then in his forties, came into the compartment and took his seat in the opposite corner. It was Mr. Eugene Chen. He was slim of build and short in stature, wore a well-cut grey European suit, a black tie, and gold-rimmed spectacles. The only peculiarity in his dress was that the heels of his boots were higher than those usually worn by men. Otherwise, sartorially, he was indistinguishable from a well-groomed Englishman."

Moscow had not been left far behind before I found that my companion could speak English fluently and in a highly cultured manner. I remarked upon his excellent command of English, and he told me he had spent many years studying British politics, literature, history and commerce.

Mr. Chen was born in the British colony of Trinidad, West Indies, and practised as a lawyer in Port Spain, the largest town in the island. As he approached middle age, however, he became more and more interested in politics, for the wider study of which he came to England, Ireland, and France. In conversation he would often disclose an intimate knowledge of French, to perfect which was one of his objects in visiting France.

Precisely what the effect of his residence in Ireland has been on his attitude to Great Britain is a matter for conjecture. It is certain it did not tend to make him a lover of England.

During the whole of my conversation with Mr. Chen, however, the only antagonism which he showed towards Great Britain was when he spoke of her Imperialistic ambitions. He told me there were many things about England which he keenly admired. One was the high standard of British character and culture, another was our political Constitution, and a third was the English language, of which he was undoubtedly a master, the wealth of his vocabulary, for a foreigner, being remarkable.

Mr. Chen chiefly impressed me by his intellectuality. In conversation he had the style of a first-class lawyer. He spoke in a rich voice, clearly and incisively, leaving no doubt in the mind of his hearer as to what he meant. An occasional trace of acerbity in his temperament was more than redeemed by a quick sense of humour almost amounting to gaiety.

I left Mr. Chen feeling that he had a grievance against the flag under which he had been born and reared, and that if that grievance were removed he would probably develop into a sincere friend of Great Britain.

The paper's London correspondent in the same issue writes:

A letter in the *Times* from Mr. Algernon Aspinall, of the West Indian Committee, shows that Mr. Churchill was even wilder than usual when he referred to Mr. Chen as "nurtured in the balmy air of far Cathay." Mr. Aspinall states definitely that Mr. Chen was born and bred a British subject in Trinidad, and that he was formerly known there under the name of E. Bernard Acham.

(Continued on next column.)

OUR CRUISER STRENGTH.

CHINA DEPLETES HOME AND MEDITERRANEAN FLEETS.

VIRTUALLY NO FLEET RESERVE.

Discussing the concentration of British cruisers in Chinese waters at the present time, a naval correspondent points out that this consists of 42 per cent. of our total available active strengths in these units. In other words, there are now either with the flag of Vice-Adm. Tyrwhitt, or on passage to join it, 13 out of the 31 vessels still in active service. The result is that the Mediterranean Fleet is temporarily left with only five cruisers and the Atlantic Fleet with six. The North America and the Africa Squadrons remain intact, but the East Indies Squadron is reduced to one cruiser. Nor is this the whole of the story, since three of the cruisers attached to the Mediterranean and Atlantic Fleets are serving as destroyer parent ships, and cannot, therefore, be regarded as eligible for independent service.

The position is instructive, because it once again illustrates the very heavy demand for the "maids of all work" of the Navy at anything approaching a critical juncture. The long *hiatus* in naval construction has resulted in a diminution of cruiser strength to a point which, as the First Lord said in urging the imperative necessity for the five years' replacement programme, was becoming really serious.

We are also reminded that we now have virtually no Reserve Fleet worth talking about. The five cruisers with reduced crews which come strictly under this head are all vessels which have gone the full period of effective life. Three more, employed for instructional service, are still perfectly seaworthy craft—indeed, are the five in reserve—but nearly all these vessels are of the old, coal-burning type, and probably none of them is good for more than 25 knots, even if some of them are capable of so much. It is true that the active list given above omits four perfectly effective vessels at present undergoing refit in Dockyard hands. But there must always be a certain proportion of available strength out of service for this purpose, and it is important that this fact should be borne in mind when computing naval strength. In pre-war days we had a very considerable force of cruisers in reserve with nucleus crews, and had a corresponding state of affairs now existed. It is reasonably safe to say that the Mediterranean Fleet would not have been deprived of a flying squadron had it not been completed to full strength in the home ports with very little delay.—*Naval and Military Record.*

I had a talk today with a well-known worker on behalf of native interests, who told me that he had been astonished by the revelation that Mr. Acham and Mr. Chen were the same person. He was well acquainted with Mr. Acham towards the end of the war period. At that time Mrs. Acham, described as a charming West Indian lady, had a house in North-west London, as her children were being educated here. Her home was the centre of many social gatherings of African and West Indian students in London, and both Mr. and Mrs. Acham were actively interested in any effort made on their behalf.

Mr. Acham used to pass to and from between London and Port of Spain, where it is understood that he was a solicitor. He was regarded by his London friends as a well-educated and fairly well-to-do West Indian, and my informant had no knowledge that he had any special connection with China. "He was a good type of British subject in the West Indies, and was especially interested in improving the conditions of the natives in Trinidad." His visits to London were on legal business connected with his native island.

THE WEEK'S DIARY.

To-day.

H.K.C.C. Tennis Tournament (details in sports column).
Tea Dances: H.K. Hotel, Hotel Savoy and Cafe Parisien, 4.30 p.m.
Distribution of prizes at Central British School, Kowloon by Mrs. Southorn, 5.30 p.m.
Annual Meeting Mid-Level Residents' Association, at Ladies' Recreation Club, Peak Road, 8 p.m.
Dinner dance, Cafe Parisien, 8 p.m.
Debate, St. Peter's Young Men's Club, Bonham Road, 8.30 p.m.
Queen's Theatre: "The Circle."
World Theatre: "Classified."
Star Theatre: "The Woman Conquers."
Principal Mail:—Inward: U.S.A., etc. (President Cleveland). Outward: Europe via Marseilles (Portugal), 2.30 p.m.; Europe via Siberia (Rhyber), 3.30 p.m.

Wednesday.

H.K.C.C. Tennis Tournament (details in sports column).
Tea Dances: H.K. Hotel, Hotel Savoy, King Edward Hotel, and Cafe Parisien, 4.30 p.m.
Hockey: Club v. 5/2 Punjabis, U.S.R.C. ground, 5 p.m.
Football:—United Services Finals at Sookmoo. Juniors: H.M.S. Tamar v. R.A. Reserves, 2 p.m. Seniors: R.A. v. K.O.S.B., 4 p.m.
Distribution of prizes by Mr. W. W. Honnell, C.I.E., M.A. (Vice-Chancellor H.K. University) at St. Joseph's College, 5.15 p.m.
Dinner dance, Cafe Parisien, 8 p.m.
Mr. Tang Bang Tian's Company of illusionists and acrobats, etc., Theatre Royal, 8.15 p.m.
Queen's Theatre: "The Circle."
World Theatre: "Classified."
Star Theatre: "The Woman Conquers."
The Lover of Camille."

Thursday.

H.K.C.C. Tennis Tournament (details in sports column).
Tea Dances: H.K. Hotel, Hotel Savoy and Cafe Parisien, 4.30 p.m.
Musical, Helena May Institute, 5.30 p.m.
Choral Evensong, St. John's Cathedral, 5.45 p.m.
Dinner dance, Cafe Parisien, 8 p.m.
Debate, European Y.M.C.A., Kowloon, 9 p.m.
Queen's Theatre: "The Flaming Frontier."
World Theatre: "The Lost World."
Star Theatre: "Bride of the Storm."
Principal Mail:—Outward: Europe via Marseilles (General Metzinger), 2.30 p.m.

Friday.

H.K.C.C. Tennis Tournament (details in sports column).
Tea Dances: H.K. Hotel, Hotel Savoy, King Edward Hotel, and Cafe Parisien, 4.30 p.m.
Society of St. George Annual Meeting, Messrs. Jardine, Matheson, Board Room, 5.30 p.m.
Lantern Lecture: "Glimpses of Indian Life," by Rev. J. C. Knight Ansley, Wesleyan Sailors' and Soldiers' Home, 8 p.m. Service men invited.
Dinner dance, Cafe Parisien, 8 p.m.
Queen's Theatre: "The Flaming Frontier."
World Theatre: "The Lost World."
Star Theatre: "Bride of the Storm."
Principal Mail:—Inward: Canada, U.S.A., etc. (Empress of Canada). Outward: Australia and New Zealand, etc. (Taiping), 2.30 a.m.

Saturday.

Football and Cricket: Details in Saturday's issue.
Yachting: Service Members' Presented Cup for racing yachts.
Golf: Bogey Pool, Fanning.
Macao Inaugural Race Meeting.
Tea Dances: H.K. Hotel, Hotel Savoy and Cafe Parisien, 4.30 p.m.
Dinner Dance, Cafe Parisien, 8 p.m.
Warden and Members of Morrison Hall (University) concert and dance, City Hall, 8 p.m.
Hong Kong Amateur Dramatic Club present "The Last of Mrs. Cheyne," Theatre Royal, 8.15 p.m.
Queen's Theatre: "The Flaming Frontier."
World Theatre: "The Lost World."
Star Theatre: "Bride of the Storm."
Principal Mail:—Inward: U.S.A., Canada, etc. (President Madison), 10.30 a.m.

Sunday.

Golf: Bogey Pool, Fanning.
Yachting: Club v. Ladies.
Macao Inaugural Race Meeting (second day).
Principal Mail:—Inward: U.S.A., Canada, etc. (President Madison).

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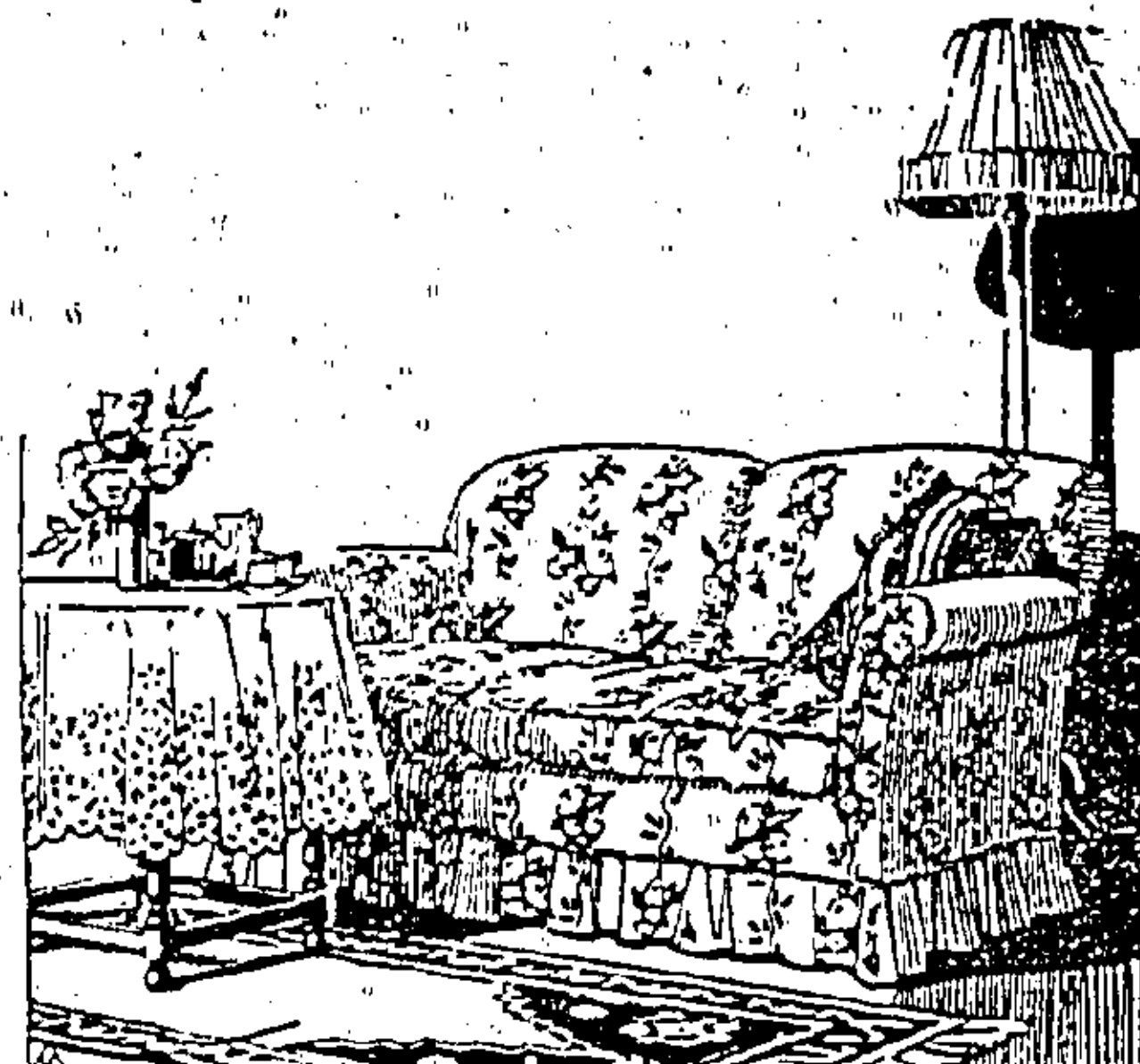
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THE RUMOURS THAT PERTURB HARBIN.

IS RUSSIA MOBILISING AGAINST MANCHURIA?

HAZE OF SUSPICION AND INTRIGUES.

While in Harbin the likelihood of a war between Japan and Russia—such as has been discussed quite widely in the United States—is never being considered or even talked about, very considerable speculation is being indulged in with respect to Russian activities and the possibility of trouble being engineered in Manchuria through Russian agencies. It is, however, very difficult to obtain anything like reliable information in this respect. As a consequence, Harbin is constantly seething with rumours of all kinds. Hardly a week passes without its report of an impending "revolution" with a date definitely fixed some few weeks later, and the highly sensational stories would be a gold mine for a motion picture scenario writer.

On the other hand, there is no doubt but that political machinations and colourful intrigues are constantly very active under the surface, and once in a while some picturesque event takes place which confirms the fact that often considerable substance lies behind the reports which circulate so busily. One of the main subjects is, of course, the activity of the Soviet Russians, who are cordially hated by the large White population of Harbin, while there is no love lost either between them and the Chinese authorities.

For some months past very definite reports have come forth with respect to Soviet military preparations in Siberia, the idea being that the Soviets who are always watching carefully the kaleidoscopic turmoil in China, are making preparations to stage trouble in North Manchuria at an opportune time so as to make it impossible for the Chang Tso Lin forces to devote their entire attention to the campaign in the South against the Cantonese armies, which are the friends of the Soviets.

Just what form such Soviet diversions will take is problematical. Authorities who are usually well informed claim that it is certain that Russia has strengthened her forces near the Siberia-Manchuria border. For instance, one of the foreign Consuls in Harbin, states that he has had definite information that not only have the Russians moved Siberian troops to points close to the border, but they have also brought out fresh troops from Russia. He states further that he had definite information to the effect that Russian officers have appeared at villages in the Barga district of Manchuria who had been making inquiries as to quarters which might be used by bodies of troops.

While many keep in mind the threat of use of force made by Russia at the time when Ivanoff, the Russian manager of the Chinese Eastern Railway, was imprisoned by the Chinese, and believe that Russia may not hesitate to throw troops into Manchuria, if the opportunity seems promising, so as to catch the Chang Tso Lin armies between the Cantonese in the South and the Russians in the North, others believe that the Russian plan is a more subtle one and that they will not take the risk of conducting an open war against Manchuria which might stir up general Chinese sentiment against the foreign invader.

Their theory is that the Soviets will operate by encouraging Chinese lawless elements and possibly, also, the Mongolians to cause trouble for the Manchurian authorities. It is claimed that evidence is

at hand showing that Russians are assisting Chinese henchmen, the bandits so common in Manchuria, by furnishing them with money and arms, while in some cases Russians are found participating in bandit activities. These bands often operate in large numbers, hundreds and even thousands, and it would undoubtedly be easy for the Russians, or any one else for that matter, to stir them into general activity through furnishing them with money and arms.

Recently one of the foreign Consuls in Harbin received very detailed information as to a battle which was reported to have taken place in the vicinity of Pogranichnia, on the eastern border between Manchuria and Siberia. Details were given showing that a couple of thousand bandits had engaged in a battle with two Brigades of Chinese troops, between 150 and 300 being killed and wounded on each side, and it was claimed that when the military was finally victorious it found a number of Russians among the dead bandits. The reports was so detailed that it bore an appearance of truth, and it may have been quite true, as it is practically impossible to obtain reliable information in North Manchuria.

The belief is also quite common that the Soviet may, when chance seems favourable, foment fighting between the Manchurian forces and the Mongolians. It is well known that the Soviets have very considerable authority among the Mongolians, and, furthermore, no love is lost between the Mongolians and the Manchurians. Persons in a position to know claim that Soviet activity has recently been pronounced about the Barga District, which was formerly a part of Mongolia but is now under Manchurian authority, and that it would not be difficult for Russia to encourage the Mongolians to stage a war for the reclamation of Barga, in which movement Russia might very plausibly give assistance to her Mongolian friends.

Curiously enough, the Chinese authorities do not seem to be greatly worried at any danger of armed collision with the Soviets or even of great trouble with Russian supported bandits. In the case of the latter they say that it will be even easier for the Chinese to buy the bandits than it is for the Russians. There is considerable substance to this claim, as it is well known that the Chinese soldiers and the bandits are often on quite friendly terms.

On the other hand, it is quite evident that the Chinese have a very real fear of Soviet propaganda, and they make no bones about this. The Harbin police is constantly making arrest of propagandists and the Chinese soldiers and the bandits are often on quite friendly terms. The principal evidence against him appears to have been his possession of a cheque of \$40,000 from the Soviet Dalbank.

It is likely that many of these reports are largely super-heated fiction, but the people of Harbin live in a thick haze of them and suspicion that something lurid is just about to happen any day keeps the inhabitants in a constant state of tingling interest.—Peking and Tientsin Times.

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We are officially informed that the General Managers and Consulting Committee of the Hong Kong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd., will recommend at the forthcoming Meeting of Shareholders to be held on 28th instant, the payment out of the profits for the year 1925 of a dividend of \$40.00 per share amounting \$320,000.00, the passing \$20,474-10-5, at exchange 1/111= \$209,101.49, to credit of Reinsurance Fund; carrying forward \$870,733.68 in respect of the year 1923.

DIVIDENDS.

Messrs. Benjamin & Potts have received the following cable from their Shanghai office:—
Shanghai Sumatra Tobacco: Final dividend Tls. 1.11.
Zhangbe Rubber Co.: Final Tls. 0.45 per share, making Tls. 1.20 per share.
Anglo-Dutch Plantations: Final Tls. 0.30 per share, making Tls. 0.75 per share.
New Engineers: Dividend Tls. 0.25 per share.

EXCHANGE.

OPENING QUOTATIONS.

March 14th, 1927.
ON LONDON.—
Telegraphic Transfer ... 1/11
Bank Bills, on demand ... 1/11 1/2
Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight ...
Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight ...
Bank Bills, at 6 months' sight ...
Bank Bills, at 9 months' sight ...
Bank Bills, at 12 months' sight ...
ON PARIS.—
Telegraphic Transfer ... 18 1/2
Bank Bills, on demand ... 18 1/2
ON CALCUTTA.—
Telegraphic Transfer ... 13 1/2
Bank Bills, on demand ... 13 1/2
ON SHANGHAI.—
Bank Bills, at sight ...
Private 30 days' sight ...
ON YOKOHAMA.—On demand ... 97
ON MANILA.—On demand ... 93
ON SINGAPORE.—On demand ... 85
ON BATAVIA.—On demand ... 119
ON HANKOW.—On demand ...
ON HAIPHONG.—On demand ...
ON HONGKONG.—On demand ...
ON KANSAI.—On demand ...
ON KOREA.—Bank's Buying rate \$9.50
Cable Transfer 100 Spas ...
Bank's Selling rate ... 35 7/16

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HONG KONG STOCK EXCHANGE. CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

March 14th, 1927.
H.K. Bank ... \$1,000 buy, 1,090 sell.
Do, London ... \$21 1/2 nom.
Chartered Bank ... \$21 nom.
Mercantile Bank, A & B ... \$21 nom.
Do, Canton ... \$21 1/2 nom.
P. & O. Bank ... \$21 1/2 nom.
East Asia Bank ... \$21 1/2 nom.
Canton Insurance ... \$21 1/2 nom.
China Underwriters ... \$21 1/2 nom.
North China Ins. ... \$21 1/2 nom.
Union Insurance ... \$21 1/2 nom.
Yangtze Insurance ... \$21 1/2 nom.
United Fire Insurance ... \$21 1/2 nom.
Hong Kong Fire Ins. ... \$21 1/2 nom.
Dougherty ... \$21 1/2 nom.
Steamboats ... \$21 1/2 nom.
Hong Kong Tugs ... \$21 1/2 nom.
Lau-Ching (Prof.) ... \$21 1/2 nom.
Do, (Def.) ... \$21 1/2 nom.
Shanghai ... \$21 1/2 nom.
Star Lines ... \$21 1/2 nom.
Waterworks ... \$21 1/2 nom.
China Sugars ... \$21 1/2 nom.
Malayan Sugars ... \$21 1/2 nom.
Benjamin ... \$21 1/2 nom.
Kailash Mining ... \$21 1/2 nom.
Lau, (combined) ... \$21 1/2 nom.
Do, (single) ... \$21 1/2 nom.
S'hai, Explorations ... \$21 1/2 nom.
Shanghai Loans ... \$21 1/2 nom.
Hau ... \$21 1/2 nom.
Trunk Mains ... \$21 1/2 nom.
Ural Caspian ... \$21 1/2 nom.
H.K. & K. Wharfs ... \$21 1/2 nom.
H.K. & W. Docks ... \$21 1/2 nom.
Hongkows ... \$21 1/2 nom.
New Engineers ... \$21 1/2 nom.
Shanghai Docks ... \$21 1/2 nom.
H.K. & S. Hotels ... \$21 1/2 nom.
H.K. Lands ... \$21 1/2 nom.
Hong Kong Realty ... \$21 1/2 nom.
H.K. Territorials ... \$21 1/2 nom.
Humphreys Estates ... \$21 1/2 nom.
Prince's Buildings ... \$21 1/2 nom.
Rural Lands ... \$21 1/2 nom.
Ewo Cottons ... \$21 1/2 nom.
Orientals ... \$21 1/2 nom.
Shanghai Cottons (old) ... \$21 1/2 nom.
Do, (new) ... \$21 1/2 nom.
China Buses ... \$21 1/2 nom.
H.K. Tramways ... \$21 1/2 nom.
Peak Tram (old) ... \$21 1/2 nom.
Do, (new) ... \$21 1/2 nom.
Singapore Tractions ... \$21 1/2 nom.
Taxis ... \$21 1/2 nom.
Amusements ... \$21 1/2 nom.
Canton Ice ... \$21 1/2 nom.
Cement (combined) ... \$21 1/2 nom.
Do, (old) ... \$21 1/2 nom.
Do, (new) ... \$21 1/2 nom.
China Light (comb.) ... \$21 1/2 nom.
Do, (old) ... \$21 1/2 nom.
Do, (new) ... \$21 1/2 nom.
China Providents ... \$21 1/2 nom.
Constructions ... \$21 1/2 nom.
Dairies ... \$21 1/2 nom.
Der A Wings ... \$21 1/2 nom.
H.K. Electric ... \$21 1/2 nom.
Macao Electric ... \$21 1/2 nom.
H.K. Ropes (old) ... \$21 1/2 nom.
Do, (new) ... \$21 1/2 nom.
Lane Crawford ... \$21 1/2 nom.
Mackintoshes ... \$21 1/2 nom.
Sincere ... \$21 1/2 nom.
United Asbestos ... \$21 1/2 nom.
Watsons (old) ... \$21 1/2 nom.
Wm. Powells ... \$21 1/2 nom.
Telephones ... \$21 1/2 nom.
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nom.—nominal

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ACCOMMODATING THE TROOPS.

QUARTERING AT DRAGON MOTOR GARAGE.

OFFICERS AT KING EDWARD HOTEL.

The military authorities have found it necessary to take over additional accommodation to that already secured and erected for the housing of the officers and men of the Shanghai Defence Force.

The premises effected include the King Edward Hotel, whose manager informs us that a number of officers are moving in to-day. Practically the whole hotel is being requisitioned, including lounging, dining room and all the floors. The bar, a very popular Hong Kong rendezvous, is, however, not affected and the restaurant will be open to the public as usual.

The Manager is, of course, unable to say how long his new guests would be likely to stay.

Among other properties leased by the authorities is the Dragon Motor Garage, at No. 3, Wongneichong Road, Happy Valley. Half the space of the building will be used by the military, and the remainder by the Dragon Company. The transport services, details of which have previously been given, such as Mechanical Transport, etc., are now in occupation of part of the ground floor, where there is room to park about twenty motor vehicles, including transport trucks and motor ambulances.

The greater part of the first floor is also to be used by troops. There is room for about two hundred men at the garage, but the work of the Company will proceed as usual.

NAVAL AND MILITARY Y.M.S.

THE "CHEER O" AND "THE BETTER 'OLE'" OPENED.

SPLENDID ACCOMMODATION FOR THE SERVICES.

The two Naval and Military Y.M.C.A.s at Peking Road, Kowloon, and at Queen's Building, Hong Kong, have now been formally thrown open to the men of the Services in Hong Kong.

Both are splendidly equipped, and transformations that reflect the efficiency of the work done have been effected in the short time since those responsible have taken over these quarters.

Brightness, and a thoroughly cheerful atmosphere, combined with comfort, have been successfully aimed at in each Y.M., the goal in this direction has been reached.

The "Cheer O."

The Y.M. in Queen's Building is entered from the Chater Road side, at the junction of this road and Ice House Street. A matter of less than a minute's walk from the "Star" Ferry Wharf, it is very well situated for troops crossing the harbour.

Entering the "Y.M." which is known as the "Cheer O" Y.M.C.A., a turn to the left leads into the reading, and writing room. Here in the well lit room, there was a cheery fire burning yesterday, comfortable rattan chairs are spread about, there is a table with magazines and periodicals, a gramophone, writing materials, and a well-stocked library. On the opposite side of the hall-way is the receiving depot for equipment. It might be mentioned here that although gifts have "rolled in" very generously, more will be welcomed, especially in the literature department.

Upstairs, on the first floor, is a comfortably furnished concert room with miniature stage and piano. Impromptu concerts will be given most nights, the Service men themselves contributing, while local ladies and gentlemen will also help from time to time.

Across the way is one of the most welcome adjuncts of a Service Y.M.C.A., namely the refreshment buffet. A counter spans the room, and from it may be obtained, cakes, sandwiches, tea, coffee, cocoa, cool drinks, etc., all at very reasonable charges. This room, and a small adjoining room, is furnished with rattan chairs and small white topped tables.

Throughout the Y.M. everything is bright, and with excellent lighting, cheerful pictures, comfortable furniture, and scrupulous cleanliness, etc., there is a very inviting and homelike atmosphere.

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THE KING'S REGULATIONS. BROUGHT UP TO DATE.

That the Board of Admiralty are desirous that the regulations affecting the service shall conform to modern conditions is evident from the attention being given to the revision of King's Regulations and Admiralty Instructions. There has just been promulgated a long list of amendments, which fill nearly 30 pages. With most of the changes approved officers and men have already been made familiar by notifications that have appeared in Fleet Orders; but it is desirable that all fleetmen, and especially those who may find it necessary in the near future to earn their living in industrial life ashore, should make themselves acquainted with the new regulations relating to the trade and vocational training certificate.

These provide that when a man from any naval rating—either (a) completes a course of vocational training (other than a correspondence course), or (b) is discharged to shore, or sent to depot from any ship or establishment as a preliminary to final discharge to shore, for any reason other than misconduct, the ship or establishment concerned is to prepare a trade and vocational training certificate (if not already done) on the form shown in the regulations. The form is in any case to be made out before the man is discharged to shore or depot, and the trade and vocational training certificate is to be attached to his papers, completed as may be necessary from time to time, and handed to him on final discharge, the vocational training portion being left blank if no course has been taken.

Assessing Character and Ability. It is obvious that these certificates should prove of great value to men in search of situations after getting back to "the beach," and especially to those who avail themselves of the help of that most useful organization, the National Association for the Employment of Ex-Sailors, Soldiers and Airmen. Character assessments on the service certificate, it is directed, are to be regarded as possessing numerical value, namely: Very good, 4; good, 3; fair, 2; and indifferent, 1. Similarly, efficiency or ability assessments on the service certificate (except for seamen holding non-substantive ratings) are to be regarded as possessing values as follows: Superior (including assessments of "exceptional" under the old system), 4; satisfactory, 3; moderate, 2; and inferior, 1. In all cases of doubt as to the character or efficiency to be assessed, reference is to be made to the Accountant-General of the Navy.—*Naval and Military Record.*

The work of looking after the establishment is being supervised by a band of local lady voluntary helpers, who are assisted by a number of "boys." Mr. W. Ingram, who has done so much in connection with the European Y.M.C.A. Service Section at Kowloon, before the arrival of the Shanghai Defence Force and additional Naval units in general control.

The Y.M. at Queen's Building was opened from yesterday, and many Service men "rolled up."

The "Better 'Ole'"

The counterpart of the Service Y.M.C.A. at Queen's Building, is situated at Peking Road, Kowloon, and bears the appropriate name of "The Better 'Ole'." It is a transformed godown, which has been fitted-out on similar lines to the "Cheer O." The only difference is that it is much larger, and the whole of its equipment is contained in one big hall.

The "Better 'Ole'" is almost twice as large as the majority of Y.M.C.A. centres erected during the war. Adequate canteen facilities have been provided, and it is interesting to note that the tea-pot, both here and on the Hong Kong side, has superseded the urn.

Desks set out with writing materials are also provided and a timely notice on the wall acts as a reminder that people at Home are interested in the doings of the troops in the Far East. Writing materials are provided free, of course, and arrangements have also been made for the sale of stamps.

Other tables are provided with periodicals of which an excellent supply has been obtained. A pile of gramophone records gives an indication that the troops will not lack music. One of the features of the "Better 'Ole'" is the large stage and the seating accommodation available for concerts and entertainments.

The new premises are extremely well lighted and everything is being done to ensure that they are as cool as possible in summer.

A HUNDRED OFFICERS AND MEN IN S.S. KHYBER.

The s.s. *Khyber* which arrived yesterday brought about 20 officers and 18 N.C.O.s and 88 N.C.O.s and men.

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OF CAMILLE

"TERRIBLE NEGRO HAUNT." SOHO CAFE LIBEL ACTION DISMISSED.

JUDGE'S STERN COMMENT.

A verdict in favour of Odhams Press, Ltd., publishers of "John Bull," and Mr. E. R. Thompson, editor of the journal, was returned at the close of the libel action brought against them in the King's Bench Division by Mr. James Kitten. Judgment was entered accordingly, with costs.

The action arose from an article published in *John Bull* in which a café in Great White Lion-street, conducted by Mr. Kitten and said to be nicknamed "The Black Man's Café," was described as "a rendezvous for coloured criminals." The article also described Mr. Kitten as "cunning and disreputable."

Det. Sergeant Francis Pearce stated that he had kept observation on Mr. Kitten's café on many occasions. The men who frequented it were criminal black men, drug traffickers, and bullies. One, named William Porter, was a counterfeiter and a drug trafficker; another, Mohamed Ali, was sentenced to four months' hard labour, with a white man, for possessing cocaine valued at £4,000; while James Rich, another frequenter, had been recommended for deportation for having opium in his possession. The majority of the white women who visited the café were of ill-repute.

Girl Drug Carriers.

Mr. Justice Avory: Does this drug traffic go on to any extent among these women?—It used to be very bad, but since the new Act was passed there has been a decrease. The women were generally the carriers.

Station Sergeant Goddard said that most of the white girls who frequented the café—which, he agreed, was a "terrible negro haunt"—were from fifteen to eighteen years of age.

Mr. Justice Avory, in summing up, said evidence had been given that white girls sat on black men's knees in the café. Counsel for Mr. Kitten said that that kind of thing went on at respectable dances among white people. "I don't know where learned counsel derives his experience from," commented Mr. Justice Avory.

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HOW THE WAR WAS NEARLY LOST.

WHEN STEEL SUPPLIES RAN SHORT.

"We came desperately near to losing the war in 1917 because the supply of steel for merchant ship-building had been cut down to a point when it was absurdly inadequate for our necessities," said Mr. C. Ernest Fayle, lecturer at the Three Staff Colleges and the Royal War College, speaking at the Royal United Services Institution.

Although our imports of raw materials in a normal peace year amounted to 27,000,000 tons, he did not think this indicated exceptional weakness in the position of Britain.

Imports were so essential that Italy's attitude during the war could be understood. She had repeatedly warned Britain that "unless you can guarantee our supplies of coal next month we go out of the war."

Exhausted.

Germany, with her imports cut off, suffered a shortage of clothes (Continued on next column).

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DIRECT FROM A SUCCESSFUL
TOUR OF EUROPE AND AMERICA

and soap—a consequent outbreak of epidemics.

Her stocks of materials were practically exhausted in 1918. Internal transport was breaking down because there were no lubricants for rolling stock or material for renovation. The quality of the ammunition on the western front had begun to show deterioration despite the fact that statues, busts, and the very door knockers of the Reichstag buildings had been flung into the melting pot.

Although there were obvious weaknesses, due to importation, in Britain's position, her strength lay in the fact that the Empire included countries of such geological and climatic variety that we could draw most of our supplies from them. In war these could be cut off immediately from the enemy.

OXFORD WAYS NOT GOOD ENOUGH.

U.S.A. RHODES SCHOLARS HOLD ALOOF.

INTEREST CENTRED IN THEIR OWN COMMUNITY.

American Rhodes scholars at Oxford University have isolated themselves in a colony that holds itself aloof from the other undergraduates, writes one of their number in the *Daily Express*.

It is a strangely self-contained community that plays only a small part in the ordinary life of the university.

These American Rhodes men are violating the whole spirit of the Cecil Rhodes Foundation.

Cecil Rhodes, in his will, wrote:—"I desire to encourage and foster an appreciation of the advantages which I implicitly believe will result from the union of the English-speaking peoples throughout the world, and to encourage in the students in the United States of America, who will benefit from the American scholar ships to be established, for the reason above given, at the University of Oxford, an attachment to the country from which they have sprung, but without, I hope, withdrawing them or their sympathies from the land of their adoption or birth."

The majority of the American Rhodes scholars live, as it were, apart. The isolation they have thrust on themselves is such that they might just as well be attending a college in Constantinople.

Whenever I see an American Rhodes scholar in the High, the Board, or the Corn at Oxford, he is almost always walking either alone or accompanied by one or more other American Rhodes scholars. He is seldom to be seen with a native English student.

Feed By Themselves.

The American Rhodes scholars invariably sit by themselves at the dinner tables, and carry on a conversation that is foreign to the other undergraduates. They roam about each other's rooms and moderate their lives, not according to the views of the English undergraduates, but according to their own wishes.

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NEW ALL-BRITISH FRUIT LINE.

PLAN TO WREST MONOPOLY FROM AMERICA.

Keen interest has developed at Kingston, Jamaica, in connection with proposals to establish a direct all-British shipping line for the conveyance of West Indian fruit to the English market.

This follows the recommendations of the recent report of the Imperial Economic Committee, and will terminate the existing American monopoly in the West Indian fruit trade.

The Governor, H.E. Sir Reginald Stubbs, K.C.M.G. (formerly Governor of Hong Kong) in an interview, stated: "There is more than one scheme now under consideration. It is not a question of a subsidy, but of a Government guarantee of freight and of interest on the capital required to establish the service. I hope the Government will be able to lay some definite proposition before the Legislative Council this month."—*Central News.*

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RESTRAINT OF TRADE RULES.

JUDGMENT GIVEN IN RECENT SUMMARY COURT ACTION.

At the Summary Court yesterday Mr. Justice J. R. Wood gave judgment in the case recently before the court concerning the affairs of the Hong Yee Tong (a Hong Kong Masons' Guild). It will be remembered that the opposing advocate claimed that it was an illegal Society.

His Lordship held that the Guild was an illegal Society in that it had exercised an inalienable right of trade. He therefore dismissed the claim of certain of the Guild's officials for arrears of payments by a member of the Guild (Tsang Kam Chi).

Judgment was entered with costs, and a stay of execution pending a possible appeal was granted.

Six Chinese on behalf of themselves and all persons having an interest in the Mason Workers' Guild had sued for \$200, being money received on their behalf. In the alternative they claimed the money as due to them in accordance with the rules and also their costs.

Mr. F. E. Cossey appeared for the plaintiffs, and Mr. D. McCallum was for the defendants.

It will be recalled that at a previous hearing Mr. McCallum claimed that the Guild was illegal because certain rules were illegal and that therefore His Lordship had no jurisdiction. It was also stated, when evidence was given, that the funds of the Guild were taken to Canton during the 1925 strike.

The Judgment.

Delivering judgment, His Lordship said that after considering the evidence both oral and formal, he had assessed the balance against the official of the Guild sued in a final account between himself and the Guild, under the rules, to be \$121.54 only.

On behalf of the defendant, it had been submitted that the Kwong Yee Tong was an illegal society on the ground that its principal object involved unreasonable restraint of trade and, for that reason, the plaintiffs were not entitled to recover at all. The illegality alleged was a contravention of a rule of English Common Law. The doctrine of the Common Law was "that it is unlawful to fetter by agreement the freedom of action of anyone engaged in trade, as a trader or an employer or a workman, except so far as such fetter is reasonably necessary for the protection of the person seeking to impose such fetter upon others."

In order to find out whether the Kwong Yee Tong was an illegal association it was necessary, said his Lordship, to examine the purposes for which the society was formed and the means whereby it proposed to effect those purposes.

If either of them be illegal it might be necessary to examine more closely into the nature of that illegality to see whether it was of such kind as to taint the whole constitution of the society and make it an illegal society.

The Guild consisted of over 3,000 members but did not comprise all the working brick-layers in the Colony. At least one other Guild of workmen was known to exist.

According to the evidence of the Chairman of the Guild, its purposes were to organise certain periodical festivities; to provide funeral benefits for its members, and to regulate the trade of brick-laying. It was a voluntary society, and its affairs had been conducted unmethodically. In order to ascertain its character it was necessary to analyse the rules.

The Rules Considered.

There were eleven rules altogether. The first dealt with the terms of admission to membership; the second directed the acquiescence of members in all duly authorised acts of the Guild; the third exhorted its members to mutual support; the fourth provided for a subscription by each member to qualify for a funeral benefit; the fifth classified members into two grades—foremen and workmen—in which foremen only might undertake trade contracts; the sixth prohibited any member from continuing an uncompleted contract made by another member in respect of which a dispute might have arisen and be still unsettled; the seventh prescribed deductions from the earnings of members for the funds of the Guild; the eighth advised members to employ fellow members in preference to other persons; the ninth laid down a standard rate of wages to be paid by members for daily labour in the absence of a special contract; the tenth prescribed that any breach of the regulations should be considered at a meeting of all members and that if no agreement was reached then legal proceedings might be taken to enforce the regulations; the last rule provided for the revision of the rules if required, by a general meeting of members.

Continuing, His Lordship said he had no hesitation in deciding that the principal purpose of the Guild, to which its other purposes were subordinate, was to afford trade protection to its members. Combinations to better the conditions of labour were not unlawful at Common Law and therefore that object was lawful. It was next necessary to consider whether the means, or any one of the means, by which the Guild proposed to effect that object were illegal.

Question of Illegality.

The only rule which, in His Lordship's opinion, might be substantially challenged as illegal was No. 8. Any restraint of trade incidental to other rules of the Guild seemed plainly to be proportional to the advantage of members contemplated therein. Two questions arose in connection with rule No. 8. Firstly, did it prescribe a restraint which extended further than was necessary for the reasonable protection of the members of the Guild, and secondly, if it did so, was the rule an essential part of the principal object, or was it separable from it so as to leave the operation of the remaining rules unaffected?

The first question he would answer in the affirmative. The rule provided that where, in the course of contract work, a dispute arose between the building owner and a contracting member no other member should undertake to complete the contract so long as the dispute remained unsettled. That prohibition made no reference whatever to the merits of the dispute, and it was not contingent on a rejection by the building owner of a legal award on arbitration. By its language it endeavoured to place a building owner at the mercy of an arbitrary contractor, and he was to be hampered in effecting an alternative contract. That rule in its present form was detrimental to the public good. It was inequitable in its consequences. A full legitimate protection for the members could be designed without a disregard of their contractual obligations. That restraint was "unreasonable, oppressive, and destructive of individual liberty."

The second question was perhaps more difficult. One statement of the law was that an agreement was void "if the illegal parts go to the main object of the combination or the legal and illegal parts are so mixed up as to be inseparable." The rule alone, among the other regulations, seemed to be tainted with illegality, but it was not in His Lordship's opinion one of several illegal rules. An amendment of its terms so as to include an arbitration as precedent to its prohibition would, in his view, render the rule innocuous. Nevertheless, he did not doubt that the officers of the Guild who framed the rules regarded that rule as of cardinal importance to their general plan. For that reason he concluded that the rule was so mixed up with other provisions for the protection of the trade as to be inseparable from them. In this conclusion he had followed leading judgments.

Question of Appeal.

His Lordship found that the Kwong Yee Tong was an illegal society, because it had as inseparable from its principal object an illegal restraint of trade, which was set out in rule 8 of its regulations. Judgment therefore, was for the defendant with costs.

Mr. Cossey asked for a stay of 14 days and intimated that the question of an appeal would be considered.

Mr. McCallum offered no objection and His Lordship granted the application.

SHIP'S OFFICERS AT VARIANCE.

CAPTAIN'S ACCUSATION AGAINST CHIEF OFFICER.

DEFENDANT ENTIRELY EXONERATED.

MASTER OF "KWONG FOOK CHEONG" REPRIMANDED.

The Marine Court at the Harbour Office yesterday morning was crowded with officers from the coastal vessels in harbour when enquiry was made into a charge of misconduct against Mr. G. A. Carter, Chief Officer of the s.s. Kwong Fook Cheong.

The Court of Enquiry comprised the following—Lieut.-Comdr. G. F. Ho, Harbour Master (President), Lieut.-Comdr. C. B. Elbrow, of H.M.S. *Titanic*; Capt. A. Ashby, Master of s.s. *Whitcomb*; Capt. W. Bichard, Master of s.s. *Fau Sang*; and Capt. J. Davis, Master of s.s. *Tulkyhing*. Mr. G. K. Hall Brutton appeared on behalf of Mr. Carter.

Alleged Assault.

The charge against the defendant was read from the log of the *Kwong Fook Cheong*. It stated that on February 23rd, the defendant boarded the vessel at about 6.15 p.m. in a drunken state. It was further alleged that he had assaulted Captain Wilson, master of the *Kwong Fook Cheong*, by striking him in the mouth. Defendant was suspended from duty when the vessel returned to Hong Kong on February 25th.

In the witness box, Capt. Wilson said that on the day in question, defendant boarded the ship at 6.15 p.m. The vessel sailed at 8.30 p.m. and full speed ahead was ordered when nearing the Southern fairway. At about 6.45 p.m. defendant rushed up to the bridge and shouted out to stop the ship. He took hold of the telegraph and rang down to the engine room "full astern."

Witness interfered, and defendant struck him in the mouth. The engines were again put ahead by the Chinese pilot and defendant left the bridge. After the vessel had cleared the Southern fairway, witness interviewed the defendant and ordered him back to his cabin.

No More Watches.

Continuing, witness said that when the vessel was at Wongmoon, defendant asked to be allowed to take watch stating that he was quite capable of doing so. Witness told the defendant that no more watches aboard the *Kwong Fook Cheong* would be given him.

The President: What do you mean by "being capable to take a watch"? There is nothing in evidence to show that Mr. Carter was other than capable?

Witness: I thought the Court knew all about it.

The President: The Court is sitting to try the case from evidence produced, and nothing that written or spoken outside the Court has any bearing.

Sharp Cross-Examinations.

Cross-examining the witness, Mr. Hall Brutton asked whether he saw the defendant come on board. Witness replied that he did not.

Mr. Hall Brutton: Where were you at the time of the vessel's departure?—I was some two feet behind and a little to starboard of the telegraph.

Mr. Hall Brutton: Did anyone see the defendant, striking you?—Yes, the pilot and two quartermasters.

Mr. Hall Brutton: Where did he strike you?—In the face.

Mr. Hall Brutton: Oh, in the face now, a few moments ago you said he struck you in the mouth?—Yes, in the face across my mouth.

Mr. Hall Brutton: When did you make the entry in the log?—On the 23rd February.

Mr. Hall Brutton: The log book shows the entry was made on February 24th?—It was only a slip.

Mr. Hall Brutton: Did you show the entry to the defendant?—No.

Mr. Hall Brutton: Could you give a reason why you did not?—No, there was no special reason for it.

Mr. Hall Brutton: The entry is most irregular and you have not complied with the regulations?—The entry was made on the following day and was signed by the Chief Engineer.

At this stage, witness said something irrelevant to the case, which drew an admonition from the Bench that witness should confine himself to answering questions and not argue.

Mr. Hall Brutton asked witness if he was calling the Chief Engineer as witness, and on being told that the Chief Engineer was a witness in the case, Mr. Brutton told the Bench that the Chief Engineer had been in Court throughout the proceedings.

The President (to the Chief Engineer): What are you doing here?

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in the Court. I shall refuse to take your evidence.

Answering further questions put by Mr. Hall Brutton, witness admitted that it was his duty to make the entry in the log cited as evidence in the presence of the defendant, but in this instance, he had omitted to do so. He also admitted that he had not given defendant any opportunity to refute the charge.

The Pilot's Story.

Li Kau, No. 1 pilot, was called, but all he could state was that he did not see the assault committed. He was on the bridge when the defendant went and ordered to "full astern." He put the engines ahead again.

In answer to the Court, witness stated that Mr. Carter appeared to be in the same condition then as he was at that moment. "He is only a bit redder than he is now," witness further added, who went on to say that he was requested by Capt. Wilson to sign the log on February 24th, when the ship was at Kowloon. He did not know he was signing and no one had explained to him.

Perfectly Sober.

The quartermaster's evidence corroborated the last witness. He did not see any blow struck, and in his opinion, defendant appeared to be perfectly sober.

Addressing the Bench, Mr. Hall Brutton said he had no case to answer. The evidence produced by prosecution clearly showed that his client had committed no offence and that he was perfectly sober.

The Court said that it was not clear why the telegraph was reversed by the defendant, and that Mr. Carter would have to go into the witness box to explain that point.

Defendant's Explanation.

Mr. G. A. Carter's explanation as to his reversing of the engines was to the effect that observing that the vessel was travelling at a dangerous speed and that a junk was crossing from starboard to port, he thought it advisable to put the engines astern. Defendant further added that he did not strike Capt. Wilson, and that he was not drunk.

Independent Testimony of Sobriety.

A Revenue Officer who had been talking with the defendant a few minutes before the alleged assault, said in evidence that the defendant appeared to be perfectly rational and sober.

Captain Wilson Severely Reprimanded.

The Court was adjourned for nearly an hour to consider its findings. The decision handed down was that:—Mr. G. A. Carter, certificate No. 3080, Chief Officer of the s.s. *Kwong Fook Cheong*, was perfectly sober on the evening of February 23rd, and did not strike the master, Captain Wilson, and, further, that Captain Wilson did, on February 24th, make an entry on the ship's log in a most irregular manner. The Court therefore adjudged him severely reprimanded.

Mr. Carter's certificate was returned to him.

SOLDIER'S THEFT OF RING.

PRIVATE'S FOOLISH BEHAVIOUR.

SENTENCE OF FOUR WEEK'S HARD LABOUR.

Before Mr. R. E. Lindsell at the Central Magistracy yesterday, Private Thomas Smith, of the Border Regiment, which recently arrived in Hong Kong, as a unit of the Shanghai Defence Force, was charged with the theft of a gold ring at Wanchai on Sunday night.

Lieut. Chambers watched the case in the interest of the Military Authorities and occupied a seat on the bench next to the Magistrate.

The accused pleaded "guilty." Divisional Inspector Blackman said at 9.30 on Sunday night the accused entered a jeweller's shop at No. 18, Queen's Road East and pointing to the ring (produced in Court) said he wanted to see it. When it was handed to him the accused walked out of the shop with it. Police whistles were blown and the accused was arrested and taken to No. 3, Police Station. He was searched at the station but the ring was not found on him. Concluding that it was a case of mistaken identity the officer in charge at the charge room released the accused. He returned to the barracks where he was seen "dashing the ring and blowing about it to his comrades." The provost sergeant who had heard about the theft in Wanchai informed the police. A search was made at the barracks and the ring was found under the accused's pillow.

The Magistrate: Why did you do this disgraceful thing?—No reply. Have you no excuse to give?

Accused: He had a lot of rings showing and I thought it was an easy chance of getting one.

Sentence of four weeks' hard labour was passed.

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TROOPS FOR
WUCHOW.DISORDER ON KWANGSI-
YUNNAN BORDER.COMPLAINTS AGAINST
CHINESE POST
OFFICE.

THE UNION'S ORDER.

[FROM OUR CHINESE CORRESPONDENT.]

Since March 10th, Canton Kuomintang troops in small detachments, have been going to Wuchow on the Upper West River in view of the reported disturbed conditions on the Kwangsi-Yunnan border. It is reported that "anti-Reds" are active also at Tso-hien on the Hunan-Kwangsi border.

Complaints of inefficiency against the Chinese Post Office in Kwangtung have become so loud that even the Postmen's Union, which is largely responsible for the poor service, have had to take notice of them. The Union officials have actually issued an order to all members directing them to be more careful in their work. Otherwise, it is said, the Union itself will recommend the Postal Commissioner to take action against those who prove to be incompetent.

The Municipal Kuomintang Executive Committee of Canton took the boy scout movement under party control on March 10th. The movement is growing rapidly and the politicians presumably, considered it was time they took a hand in the direction of its policy.

Instead of surrendering their property wholly to the Kuomintang authorities, the shareholders of the Sunning Railway have offered to place the line under the joint management of the owners and workers. In this way it is hoped to avoid the constant labour disputes.

Home Rule apparently does not meet with the approval of the Kuomintang and an organisation styling itself, The Kwangtung Home Rule Association is to be suppressed. The organisation advocates a republican form of government in which representatives of the people are permitted to have some voice in the administration of their own province.

Employees of the Kwangtung Electricity Supply Company in Canton apparently committed a grave error of judgment when they cut off the electric light from consumers who had not complied with the Company's regulations without considering the political affiliations of the parties concerned. It seems that some members of the Kuomintang were penalised and, of course, complaints were immediately raised.

Members of the Kuomintang are generally exempt from arrest and some of them imagine that they are above the law in every way.

THE "FATSHAN."

CREW RESUME WORK.

As was announced yesterday the trouble on the *Fatshan*, arising out of the seizure of two posters by the Police Authorities, has been settled. The steamer is back at her wharf loading cargo and it is expected that she will leave for Canton this morning.

The chairman of the local Seamen's Union had a conference with the China Navigation Company, Ltd., and subsequently told the men to resume work. The crew remained on board during the week end but two delegates left for Canton on Saturday presumably to report the matter to the Seamen's Union there.

THE RIFT IN THE
LUTE.CLEAVAGE IN THE KUOMIN-
TANG PARTY.ATTEMPT TO OUST RUSSIAN
INFLUENCE.CHIANG KAI SHEK'S
ATTITUDE.

For weeks past there have been reports that the leaders of the Kuomintang are not a particularly happy and united family. Comment has been made from time to time upon the situation in these columns, but, of course, it is extremely difficult to obtain the precise facts or to judge the measure of credit which should be given to conflicting rumours.

On March 8th we referred to the accumulating evidence of a definite cleavage in the Nationalist movement and pointed to the fact that there were two centres of authority, one at Hankow and the other at Nanchang where Chiang Kai Shek has concentrated his forces.

Reports received from various sources yesterday state that the split is complete and that matters will come to a head very shortly. On the one side, in Hankow, we have M. Borodin working in conjunction with Mr. Hsu Chien, the Minister of Justice, to establish a government more or less on communistic lines. On the other side, in Nanchang, General Chiang Kai Shek is endeavouring to rally the moderates and to oust the Russian influence from the Kuomintang Party.

A message from Canton says that an open split has occurred in the Party ranks. Another from Changsha refers to disagreement between General Tang Seng Chi and General Chiang Kai Shek, and states that Tang Seng Chi is inclining to the Left or the extreme wing of the Party. This is curious and shows how completely Chinese politics are dominated by personal feelings. General Tang Seng Chi has always been regarded as a moderate. He joined the Southerners simply to safeguard his own position. If he is joining the extremists it is simply due to the fact that he is disgruntled because under Chiang Kai Shek his position has been a comparatively subordinate one. A third message—this time from Hankow and dated Friday, says that a conference of Party leaders was held on the previous day and that it was understood that Hsu Chien and Liu Wen Tsui and other extremists have resigned and are leaving. If such is the case it would appear that the moderates are gaining the ascendancy even in the extremist stronghold.

To crown all, a Nanking message dated Saturday reports that General Chiang Kai Shek has opened negotiations with Chang Tsung Chang. It is suggested that an agreement might be reached if Chang Tsung Chang would withdraw his Russian troops to Shantung, Chiang Kai Shek promising, on his part, to oust the Russians in the South and to eliminate also the Chinese who are actively preaching the communist doctrines. It is added in the message from Nanking that Shantung troops of superior quality are pouring into Nanking daily, and that they include 5,000 Russians under General Nechaeff. The majority are proceeding to the front on the Anhui border.

A Personal Statement.

In these circumstances it is particularly interesting to read what General Chiang Kai Shek has to say personally on the subject. In a declaration made public in Hankow on March 7th, and now published in the *Canton Gazette*, he urges all Party members to support the Central Executive Committee so that there may be centralisation in the direction of Party affairs and concerted effort to wipe out feudal influences so that the dawning of a real democracy may be realised. He concludes:

"For more than twenty years I followed our late Director (Dr. Sun) in the Revolutionary Movement. Nothing takes precedence in my mind over the Party. I am engaged in no pursuit save the Revolution. I have no interest of my own. What I hope is that all comrades will receive with open hearts the programme of the party, unite themselves to form a coherent whole so that the Party foundation will be firmly established. In this way the Revolutionary Movement can attain success instead of being thwarted half-way. I am ready to make all sacrifices."

Such a declaration, coming at this juncture, would certainly lead to the supposition that some changes are pending.

RE-INSTATEMENT.

QUESTION OF THE MOMENT
IN SWATOW.

THREATS AND INTIMIDATION.

BOYCOTT OF THE DOUGLAS
STEAMERS.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

Swatow, March 9th.

The local Labour Unions are tireless organisations. Their members work for about five minutes and then take a day's holiday on some pretext or other. The pretext for to-morrow's general stoppage of work is a demonstration and procession to protest against the landing of British troops in Shanghai. The Unions have circulated all their members instructing them to down tools and join the demonstration.

On Saturday, the 12th, a demonstration has been arranged to commemorate the anniversary of the death of Sun Yat Sen.

The Douglas Steamers.

The Douglas steamers are now boycotted here, the Seamen's Union having forced all the other Unions into line against the Company. The trouble seems to be the same as that experienced by the Steamboat Co. some months ago on the Hong Kong-Canton run. The Douglas boats are running with strike crews which they collected in 1925 and the Seamen's Union demand that these men should be discharged and the old crews re-instated. In addition they have piled on other extraordinary demands and as fast as the Company agrees to one the Union rakes up another.

Local.

This question of re-instatement seems to be a thorn in the flesh of most local Unions. There is evidence of a movement shortly to begin with an attempt to force the re-instatement of all employees who were not taken back in October last. I believe the A.P. Co. are to be the first, then Bradleys, the B.A.T. Co. and so on. Some of the more offensive—and consequently more disgruntled—discarded employees are very sick indeed at the present time. They have spent all their ill-gotten strike and boycott gains, mostly squeeze, and have nothing to do all day except lounge about the Union Headquarters and draw 20 cents a day for food—sometimes. As was only to be expected precious little of the 2½ per cent. surtax, comes their way.

Some of them, notably the Swatow Club boys, spend their time in intimidating and threatening anyone who dares to take up their jobs.

In the A.P. Co. matters have been carried to such lengths that nobody in the office, I believe, except perhaps the Manager, is allowed to write out Delivery Orders, simply because one of the two former employees Tan Kai lin and Ng Tsing Kau used to do that particular work.

The late Swatow Club No. 1 boy seems to be the arch-intimidator, or at any rate he has been the most successful, having frightened away every single servant we had.

Our well meaning Commissioner for Foreign Affairs has been informed time and again how curiously the Unions interpret Canton's beautiful expression about "men's natural inclinations" but he does nothing more, and can do nothing more than bemoan his impotence. "They won't listen to me," he says. Not nor are they likely to until some drastic action is taken.

A "MUI TSAI'S"
ROMANCE.

ELOPES WITH CHAUFFEUR.

PERT PASSAGES WITH THE
MAGISTRATE.

"HERO" HEAVILY FINED.

Mui Tsai or slave girls throughout China have always been a source of trouble and anxiety to their mistresses.

A typical example of the escapades to be expected from these girls was told in Court yesterday, when a Chinese chauffeur was charged before Mr. R. E. Lindsell, at the Central Magistracy, with unlawfully harbouring a slave girl of 16 years of age.

Mr. T. W. Ainsworth appeared to prosecute on behalf of the Secretariat for Chinese Affairs.

Mr. Lo Yee Man, master to the slave girl said that the girl's age was 16, and she had been with him for ten years. On March 3rd, he sent the girl to accompany his aunt to Caine Road. The girl returned home, but later disappeared. He reported the matter to the Police, and two days later news was brought to him of the girl's whereabouts. Witness took a Chinese detective with him and found the girl in an empty garage at Pokfulam Road. There was no furniture in the house excepting a small canvas bed. The girl told witness that she had been living with a certain motor driver there for two days. Witness took the girl home and on the way, a motor-car was seen returning, whereupon, the girl shouted to the driver "Ah Kee, Ah Kee, do you want me or not?"

"Ping Chai."

Stating that her name was Chang Chun Kai, and that she was 20 years of age, the slave girl, with downcast eyes but in an entirely self possessed manner, told her story.

She said that she had been a slave to the last witness for about seven or eight years. She left home on March 3rd, and went to live with the driver of motor-car No. 878. She had known the man for some time and had offered to be his mistress. She added "I asked him if he was married and he said 'Yes.' Then I asked him if he would like to marry once more, and when he said 'Yes,' I offered to go with him."

Replying to the Court, the girl said that she first fell in love with the driver.

Mr. Lindsell: Did he fall in love with you?—Yes, afterwards.

Mr. Lindsell: Was he willing to make you his second wife?—No, I wanted to be his *Ping Chai* (on equal footing with the first wife) and he agreed.

The "heroine" of the story added that she met the driver outside the Hong Kong Hotel on the day in question. They walked to Arsenal Street, where the man waited while she returned to her mistress. A few minutes later she left the house on the pretext of buying something. She rejoined her lover and was taken to Pokfulam Road.

A Jealous Sultor.

Continuing, the girl stated that the driver had offered to take her home to his mother and to get her some clothes. While in hiding, she was spotted out by another driver. This man was hiding on the hillside, and when he saw that her lover had left the house, went up to her door and knocked. She refused to open, which annoyed the man, and so he gave her away.

Mr. Lindsell: Why, was he jealous?—I don't know, probably he was.

Mr. Lindsell: What made you run away?—My mistress had always scolded me and had on several occasions threatened to put me in the Po Leong Kok.

"Fed On Bones!"

Mr. Lindsell: Oh, how sad! But by the look of you, you seemed to have been well-fed.—Sure, I had plenty of bones to eat. I got only two meals a day. Even the clothes I wear now were paid for by myself. Mr. Lindsell: Really, where did you get your money from?—Some time ago I was knocked down by a bicycle and the man gave me a few dollars to hush me up.

(Continued on next column.)

"CALIFORNIA" ARRIVES
LATE.

DELAYED BY STORM.

TOURISTS DOING HONG
KONG TO-DAY.

The round-the-world liner *California*, which was scheduled to due here yesterday morning, arrived here late last night.

Owing to storms in crossing the Pacific, the liner was two days behind hand in reaching Yokohama. An additional delay at Shanghai, caused by the tender reaching Wosung late to take the tourists ashore, has so far prevented the vessel from making up the lost time.

The tourists, who number 650 and consist chiefly of New York and San Francisco business men, will have two clear days in Hong Kong. The party will split up to-day, one section going to Macao, and the others touring the Island and New Territories. To-morrow this programme will be repeated the two parties "changing places."

The *California* will leave to-morrow night.

The Hong Kong Hotel Tourist Bureau is in charge of the local arrangements for the tourists.

Commenting on the tour the "New York American" of January 19th stated:

The Cunard Anchor steamer *California* starts on her cruise with 650 passengers this afternoon. Among the places to be visited will be Havana, Colon, Balboa, Los Angeles, Hilo, Honolulu, Yokohama, Tokyo, Kobe, Shanghai, Hong Kong, Manila, Batavia, Singapore, Rangoon, Calcutta, Colombo, Bombay, Suez, Cairo, Port Said, Haifa, Jerusalem, Athens, Naples, Monaco, and Cherbourg.

CELEBRITIES ON BOARD.

Among the passengers, there are some celebrities on board. Capt. P. A. Appleton, who is accompanied by his wife, has been to Shanghai no less than thirty times. One of the hostesses on board the *California* is Miss Sydney Thompson, a famous actress well-known in Europe and the continent. Mrs. Robert D. Craighead, hotel proprietress in Atlantic City and the lady golf champion of Florida, Miss Dorothy Doyle, is also one of the passengers. The Hon. H. H. Loring, was formerly a judge. He is accompanied by his wife. The former Governor of California, the Hon. F. W. Richardson, and Mrs. Richardson are also making tour of the world on the *California*.

Where She Learned To Talk.

Mr. Lindsell: Have you been to school?—I never saw the inside of a school.

Mr. Lindsell: I don't know where you learned to talk?—I learned it myself.

Mr. Lindsell: Very wonderful.

When asked if the girl's story was true, the driver admitted that it was quite correct.

Mr. Lindsell: Then you have committed an offence.

No Complaints.

The girl's mother said that she gave the girl away to her present mistress when she was 6 years old. During all this time, the girl had appeared to be quite contented and she had never heard any complaints from her daughter.

While the mother was in the box, the girl constantly whispered to her mother, and the Magistrate threatening to put her into the Po Leong Kok.

Addressing the defendant, his Worship said that it was quite clear that he had committed an offence. "She is a family girl and yet you encouraged her to leave home and harboured her for two nights," said the Magistrate.

The defendant said he did not know where the mistress of the girl lived otherwise he would have taken her home.

Not Too Young To Know Better.

Mr. Lindsell: And you took no trouble to enquire?—The girl came to me of her own free will.

Mr. Lindsell: And you took her of your own free will, too?—I am too young, and this is my first offence. I am only 24 years of age.

Mr. Lindsell: Old enough to know better.

Mr. Ainsworth said that he was not pressing for imprisonment and asked his Worship if he would consider the option of a fine.

Addressing the defendant with some severity, Mr. Lindsell said "You have a wife in Canton and yet you seem to want a wife at every port. I hope this will be a lesson to you. You can't pick up stray girls in this way, and you will have to pay a fine of \$200."

Her Last Word.

The girl at this stage shouted out that defendant had a gold ring belonging to her, and that she did not want to be sent back to her mistress.

His Worship told Mr. Ainsworth to make whatever arrangement he thought best for the girl.

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NOTICE.

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DEACONS,
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TAKE NOTICE that it has come to the knowledge of the NICHOLSON FILE COMPANY of UNITED STATES AMERICA, the Proprietors of the above Trade-mark, that FILES have been sold in Hong Kong bearing a Similar Mark manufactured by Firms other than the NICHOLSON FILE COMPANY.

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WILKINSON & GIBST,
Solicitors for
NICHOLSON FILE COMPANY,
Hong Kong, March 14th, 1927. [4678]

IN THE MATTER OF THE COMPANIES ORDINANCES, 1911-1925,

IN THE MATTER OF S. J. DAVID & COMPANY, LIMITED,
(In Voluntary Liquidation).

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to Section 189 of the Companies Ordinance, 1911-1925, A GENERAL MEETING of the MEMBERS of the above-named Company will be held at the Office of A. J. DAVID, Prince's Building, Victoria, in the Colony of Hong Kong, on THURSDAY, the 23rd day of APRIL, 1927, at 12.30 o'clock in the afternoon, for the purpose of having an account laid before them showing the manner in which the Winding Up has been conducted and the property of the Company disposed of, and of hearing any explanations that may be given by the Liquidators, and also of determining by Extraordinary Resolution the manner in which the Books, Accounts and Documents of the Company and of the Liquidators thereof shall be disposed of.

Dated the 15th day of March, 1927.
EDWARD J. LLOYD,
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[4680]

NOTICE.

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INTIMATIONS.

HONGKONG ENGINEERING & CONSTRUCTION CO., LTD.
NOTICE OF MEETING.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FIFTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS of the HONGKONG ENGINEERING & CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, LIMITED, will be held in the Office of Messrs. SHAW, TOMES & CO., St. George's Building, Chester Road, Hong Kong, on WEDNESDAY, the 23rd day of MARCH, 1927, at 11.30 a.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Board of Directors and a Statement of Accounts for the Year ended on the 31st DECEMBER, 1926, and of electing Directors and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 17th to the 22nd MARCH, B. 11 days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
S. COURTNEY COOK,
Secretary,
Hong Kong, 8th March 1927. [4653]

THE BANK OF CANTON, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the SIXTEENTH ORDINARY ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS of the Company will be held at the HEAD OFFICE, No. 6, DES VEAUX ROAD, CENTRAL, Hong Kong, on WEDNESDAY, the 23rd MARCH, 1927, at 2.30 p.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the Year ending 31st DECEMBER, 1926.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 23rd MARCH, 1927, to the 23rd MARCH, 1927 (Both Days inclusive), during which period No. Transfer of Shares can be Registered.

By Order of the Board,
LOOK POONG SHAN,
Chief Manager,
Hong Kong, 7th March, 1927. [4645]

A. S. WATSON & CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FORTY-SECOND ANNUAL ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the COMPANY (since its registration) will be held at the Hong Kong Hotel, Hong Kong, on SATURDAY, the 26th MARCH, 1927, at 11 a.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st OCTOBER, 1926.

The REGISTER of SHAREHOLDERS of the Company will be CLOSED on FRIDAY, the 17th day of MARCH, 1927, at 12 noon, and on SATURDAY, the 25th day of MARCH, 1927, Both Days inclusive, during which period No. Transfer of Shares can be registered.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers,
Hong Kong, 14th March, 1927. [4674]

THE DAIRY FARM, ICE & COLD STORAGE CO., LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the THIRTY-FIRST ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the Company's Town Office, 2, LOVELL ALBERT ROAD, on SATURDAY, 26th MARCH, 1927, at 11 a.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, together with a Statement of Accounts, and electing a Dividend and re-electing Directors and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 17th to the 26th MARCH, 1927, Both Days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
J. D. THOMSON,
Acting Secretary,
Hong Kong, 11th March, 1927. [4672]

THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE FIFTY-EIGHTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Office of the Underigned on MONDAY, the 28th MARCH, 1927, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a Statement of Accounts for the Year ended the 31st DECEMBER, 1926.

The SHARE REGISTER and TRANSFER BOOKS will be CLOSED from the 14th to the 28th MARCH, 1927, Both Days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.,
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Hong Kong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.,
Hong Kong, 7th March, 1927. [4638]

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DEATHS.
ANDREWS.—On March 5th, at Shanghai, ALICE ANDREWS.
IVERSEN.—On March 5th, at Shanghai, JORAN LUDVIG IVERSEN, Master of the s.s. Ravenfjell, aged 47 years.
THOMSON.—On March 5th, at Shanghai, ANNIE, wife of J. C. Thomson, in her 68th year.

Hong Kong Office: 1A, Chester Rd.
London Office: 131, Fleet St., E.C.

The Daily Press.

HONG KONG, MARCH 15th, 1927.

LIBEL IN NOVELS.

In literary circles in England considerable interest is manifested in a Bill which Lord GORELL intends to introduce in the House of Lords during the present session to amend the Law of Libel. His aim is to relieve authors from the risk of being accused of libelling persons whom they never thought of putting in the pillory. The Bill is receiving strong support from the Incorporated Society of Authors, playwrights and composers. In recent years legal action has been taken against novelists from time to time by people who considered that they were referred to in the pages of fiction, and it was no answer to a charge of this kind for writers to assert that they had never even heard of the worthy folk who complained of being libelled. It was nothing more than a coincidence that they happened to bear some resemblance in appearance, or habits, or in some other way to a character in the novel. To guard against this danger some authors have adopted the plan of announcing on the flyleaf that all the persons mentioned are fictitious. But a declaration in advance that no libel is intended is ineffective in

law, and besides, it has no very convincing ring. Another way which has been tried, at least once with success, is for the novelist to give his characters the names of celebrities—their consent having, of course, been obtained.

Some time ago Mr. H. G. Wells defined, in so far as such a thing is capable of definition, the field in which a story-teller may find himself at cross-purposes with real persons. The novelist, Mr. Wells pointed out, cannot be purely fantastic. If, for example, he desires to portray a Prime Minister at a certain period the personage must bear some resemblance to a real Prime Minister. He must speak and act as the reader expects a Prime Minister to do in the circumstances described in the story. It is much the same with regard to names. A writer who puts his scene in a Surrey village cannot reasonably call his characters Marco, Ludovico and Fernando; if he did the reader's sense of reality would be completely destroyed. He must employ such names as are usually borne by the rural inhabitants of Surrey, and this, as things are, may involve him in the risk of using a name which is in fact borne by a resident of the village in question.

The old writers, happily for them, knew nothing of such risks. We wonder what CHARLES DICKENS would have done if he had found himself in the difficult position of present day authors? DICKENS sought the names of his characters among the names of real persons, and he had marvellous instinct for such names as would at once carry a sense of reality and fit the purpose for which he required them. The current London Telephone Directory reveals a Chadband, a Snodgrass, a Winkle, and quite a number of Wellers, whose progenitors probably gave DICKENS what he wanted in the way of names to fit imaginary characters. This was well enough in the days when no man brought an action for libel except under extreme provocation of a sort that could not be ignored. To-day there is a section of the population which is so sensitive to insult or to the possibilities of the law as to create a new danger for authors; and Lord GORELL's Bill, devised to clear up the law, is assured of general support.

On Sunday two Chinese cases of diphtheria and one Chinese case of typhoid were reported.

St. George's Hotel, formerly St. George's House, Kennedy Road, is to be opened on April 1st as a first class hotel.

The 42nd annual ordinary meeting of A. S. Watson & Co., Ltd., is to be held at the Hong Kong Hotel, on Saturday, March 26th, at 11 a.m.

The warden and members of Morrison Hall (Hong Kong University) are holding a concert and dance at Morrison Hall next Saturday, beginning at eight o'clock.

The third annual meeting of the Simplex Plaster Co., Ltd., is to be held at the registered office of the Company, 2nd floor, Powell's Building, Des Vaux Road, on Thursday, March 23rd, at 3 p.m.

Those interested are reminded that the annual prize distribution in connection with the Central British School, Kowloon, takes place this evening, at 8.30. Mrs. Southern will distribute the awards.

Members are reminded that the annual general meeting of the Mid-Levels Residents' Association will be held at the Ladies' Recreation Club, Peak Road, this evening at six o'clock. Members of the Association are specially requested to attend.

The forthcoming wedding is announced of Mr. Robert Henry Morton Ody, merchant, of Canton, to Miss Anne Wain, of Philadelphia, U.S.A.

A Chinese woman suddenly dropped dead while making a purchase at the Central Market on Sunday. There were no suspicious circumstances, and the remains were removed to the Mortuary.

Four robbers raided an unnumbered matchbox in Wongneichong village at 12.45 o'clock Sunday night and stole property worth \$108. A female inmate gave the alarm as the men were making their escape. The robbers ran up the hillside, followed by a number of villagers who arrested two men.

The funeral took place at Happy Valley on Sunday evening of Chief Engine Room Artificer William Head Spargo, of H.M.S. "Petersfield," who died at the Royal Naval Hospital on Saturday from arterio sclerosis. The ensigns on all ships of the fleet were half-masted between 4 and 5 p.m., the time of the funeral.

A mad chow dog ran "amok" in upper Shapoo Valley, Kowloon City, on Sunday. He bit a Chinese woman in the leg and then ferociously attacked another dog which it killed outright. Villagers turned out with bamboo poles and soon despatched it. The woman received treatment for her injuries at the Kowloon Hospital, whilst the remains of the two dogs were taken to the bacteriologist for examination.

A party of detectives, went in a car to Bridges Street on Saturday afternoon, where an armed robbery had taken place. On the way back, the car crashed into a hawker's stall which was pitched too far towards the centre of the roadway at Staunton Street. The stall was completely smashed, and the wares scattered over the roadway. A summons for obstruction is likely to be taken out against the hawker.

What promises to be another very interesting debate, the second of a series, is being held to-night, at 8.30, at the St. Peter's Church Young Men's Club, 84, Bonham Road. The debate is on the motion "That Experience Justifies Fatalism." Mr. E. B. Price will open for the motion, and be seconded by Mr. P. Sands, B.A. The opposition will be led by the Rev. J. Kirk Macdonald and the Rev. W. R. Connell, M.A.

There was to have been a sale of leasehold property at the China Auction Rooms yesterday afternoon, but bad weather prevented an attendance of prospective bidders, and the sale was postponed until next Tuesday (March 22nd). The property in question is situated at Shauiwan Road, Causeway Bay, and is known as Nos. 44, 45, 46, 47, and 48 Tunglun Road Street. The property will be put up in two lots next week, one lot consisting of the land and building, and the other of vacant land. The total area is 15,868 square feet, and the annual Crown rent \$163.

The court procedure at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday morning was rudely interrupted by the loud tones of a woman who, after being fined with several others for trespassing on a Government near Cheung Sha Wan, plantation, proceeded to accuse the forest guards, on the verandah adjoining the Court, of perjury. The woman was brought back to the Court and then accused the Court constable of assaulting her. Inspector McWalter, who had witnessed what had transpired informed His Worship (Mr. W. Schofield) that it was not true. The woman was fined a further \$10 for creating a disturbance within the precincts of the Court. She had previously been fined \$15 for trespassing.

LOCAL WEDDING.

MARRIAGE OF CHINA NAVIGATION OFFICER.

CEREMONY AT UNION CHURCH.

There was a pretty wedding at the Union Church, Kennedy Road, yesterday afternoon, the parties being Mr. Arthur Henry Mills, of the China Navigation Company, son of Mr. and Mrs. A. Mills, of Harrogate; and Miss Edith Mary Gillespie, daughter of Capt. R. J. Gillespie, of Hong Kong and Mrs. Gillespie, of Sydney, Australia.

There were many friends of the bride and bridegroom present.

The Rev. J. Kirk Macdonald officiated, and Mr. Longyear was at the organ.

The bride, who was given away by Mr. George Watt, wore silver lace with over-dress of ivory georgette, her bouquet being a Victorian posy.

Mrs. George Watt, matron of honour, wore a dress of ecru coloured georgette with lace insertion and crinoline hat to match.

Mr. L. Foxall, of the China Navigation Company, was best man.

A reception was afterwards held at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Watt, following which the bride and bridegroom left for Repulse Bay, the bride's travelling dress being of powder blue georgette with under-dress of floral georgette, and hat to match.

The bridegroom's gift to the bride was a string of pearls and that of the bride to the bridegroom a set of gold studs and cuff links.

CHARITY CONCERT.

TO AID LONDON MISSION HOSPITAL.

A very successful concert was held last night at the St. Andrew's Church Hall, Kowloon, in aid of the working party of the London Mission Hospital, Hong Kong. Despite the inclemency of the weather there was a large audience.

Among those who contributed to the success of the concert was Dr. R. J. McCandless, of the John Kerr Hospital, Canton, whose fine singing was loudly applauded.

The Rev. W. W. Rogers gave a capital recitation in his inimitable way, and the orchestra, under the direction of Mr. E. Donithorne, played selections during the interval.

Others who contributed to the programme were: Mrs. Lewis Davies (soprano), Mrs. Balean (violin solo), Mr. Rupert Baldwin (accompanist), Rev. W. W. Rogers (recitation).

The entertainment was organised by Mr. Baldwin.

During the interval, the Rev. Lindsay thanked those who had assisted. He also thanked Mr. Donithorne for the loan of about sixty sewing machines, with which the working party was able to make up many articles. He expressed the hope that the concert would be able to pay for the materials. Thanks were also accorded to Dr. McCandless and Mr. Baldwin.

As the Church Hall was to be handed over as a library to the soldiers and sailors now in the Colony, Rev. Lindsay made an appeal for more books. The book-case at present contained only 150 volumes, and 800 books more were needed.

At the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday, before Mr. W. Schofield, a workman employed at the Peninsula Hotel, Kowloon, was charged with the larceny of pipe fittings, valued at \$7. The man, who pleaded guilty, was stated to have been arrested at Holt's Wharf when the fittings in his possession. He was fined \$25, or three weeks' hard labour in default.

THE "RED" ACTIVITIES AT SHANGHAI.

ANOTHER MURDER: MORE INFLAMMATORY POSTERS.

SUN YAT SEN COMMEMORATION PASSES OFF QUIETLY.

HANKOW WORKERS AND A CIGARETTE FACTORY. ATTEMPT TO RUN IT "ON THEIR OWN."

A RECENT INCIDENT AT ICHANG.

STEVEDORES AND A BRITISH NAVAL PARTY.

The labour situation in Shanghai's International Settlement is still very considerably affected by the pernicious influence of the "Red" element, whose activities are stated to be "more intensive." Assassination of Chinese individuals, who have incurred the enmity of the extremists, still continues and inflammatory posters are still appearing in various places.

There have been no military developments as rain continues and the country is sodden.

Further details are to hand regarding the recent incident at Ichang, when stevedores collided with a British Naval party. A lieutenant of H.M.S. *Gnat* had his arm broken and several of the stevedores were injured.

A telegram from Hankow describes extraordinary happenings at one of the British Cigarette Company's factories, when the workers attempted to run the place "on their own."

SHANGHAI'S LABOUR SITUATION.

"RED" ACTIVITIES "MORE INTENSIVE": ANOTHER MURDER.

MORE INFLAMMATORY POSTERS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

SHANGHAI, March 14th.

The labour situation in Shanghai continues to be very disturbed, "Red" activities growing more intensive. Assassins yesterday shot dead a foreman of a Japanese cotton mill and escaped.

There is an increasing number of posters in mills urging the workers "to rise immediately and seize administrative power" and lauding assassination by loyal workers. There have been no military developments, as rain continues and the country is sodden.

WORKERS TAKE OVER CIGARETTE FACTORY.

EXTRAORDINARY HAPPENINGS AT HANKOW.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

SHANGHAI, March 14th.

A delayed telegram from Hankow, dated the 10th instant, states that the workers of the British Cigarette Company, which closed down their factories on July 9th owing to the unreasonable attitude of the union leaders and the generally unsettled conditions, are threatening to take over and control the establishment unless the management re-opens. Early this morning the employees entered one factory and started up the boilers, but when the whistle blew for starting work only the mechanics responded. At a later meeting, the workers appointed 24 directors to make plans and raise capital to run the factories.

MRS. BORODIN.

STATEMENT BY M. BORODIN.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

SHANGHAI, March 13th.

In a telegram from Hankow, dated the 12th instant, the National News Agency quotes M. Borodin as saying: "I did not ask any British authority to interfere on behalf of Mrs. Borodin, as the Chinese people are well able to prevent any harm to her and to effect her release." He denies that Mrs. Borodin was carrying military secrets to the Southerners.

RECENT INCIDENT AT ICHANG.

NAVAL LIEUTENANT'S ARM BROKEN.

FURTHER DETAILS.

Further details came to hand yesterday regarding the clash between stevedores and the British Naval party at Ichang, reported briefly by wireless.

The bluejackets were supervising the transfer of missionaries' baggage to the steamer *Tung Wo*. This led to bad feeling among the stevedores.

Subsequently a fracas arose between the stevedores and the navy men in which a lieutenant of H.M.S. *Gnat* had his arm broken and three of the stevedores were injured in the heels with batons.

The labour union later made demands through the Commissioner for Foreign Affairs, including the immediate withdrawal of the gunboat, the recall of the officer responsible, an apology from the British Legation representative, Mr. Teichman, and the payment of a preposterous indemnity.

[EARLIER TELEGRAMS.]

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

SHANGHAI'S "TERRORISM."

THREE MURDERS BY GUN-MEN.

SHANGHAI, March 13th.

The second anniversary of the death of Sun Yat Sen passed off comparatively quietly, probably due to the rain, in spite of the rumours of a one-day strike from many quarters.

Terrorism is on the increase, the leaders of the Red gun-men showing greater activity. In the last two days, three Chinese holding prominent positions in the International Settlement have been murdered, including a private gentleman, the foreman of two cotton mills and the accountant of the Shanghai Tramway Company.

The situation generally is quiet, but the strike of the employees of the Shanghai-Nanking Railway continues, and the cotton mill workers, including a British concern, who "downed tools" on March 10th and 11th, are still out.

Salt Office, At Ichang Wrecked.

ICHANG, March 13th.

The Sun Yat Sen demonstration yesterday resulted in an outrage on the Salt Administration Office, which the police and military authorities took no steps to prevent.

The mob rushed the Salt Office, and completely wrecked it. The principal cause of the trouble was the agitation of pickets who created the disturbance because posters had been removed from the gate.

Hankow Quiet.

HANKOW, March 13th.

There appears to be no anti-foreign movement on the part of the Extremist section of the Kuomintang although posters have again appeared requesting Marshal Chiang Kai Shek's active support.

Three Days' Holiday At Wansien.

WANHSIEN, March 13th.

Three days' holiday to celebrate the anniversary of the death of Sun Yat Sen has been decreed, but up to the present there appears to be little enthusiasm.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

Guarding Shanghai.

RUOYI, March 13th.

With regard to the refusal of British troops to allow Shantung troops to enter the International Settlement at Shanghai, it is explained that possibly the episode was the result of misunderstanding, since it has been clearly stated by the Settlement authorities that armed Chinese troops are not to be permitted in the Settlement, and that complete neutrality between the contending Chinese forces is and will be maintained.

(Continued on next column.)

COLLISION ON THE HWANGPU.

"EMPRESS OF CANADA" AND A JAPANESE COLLIER.

BOILER EXPLOSION.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

SHANGHAI, March 14th.

While passing up-river this morning, after her trans-Pacific voyage, the *Empress of Canada* collided with the Japanese collier *Yimido Maru*, which was badly holed. She was hastily beached, to prevent sinking. The *Empress's* bows were damaged.

It is reported that the collier was struck in the region of the engine-room and that a boiler explosion followed. Two firemen were scalded and the second engineer is believed to have been drowned in the engine-room.

REGRETTABLE INCIDENT AT SINGAPORE.

6 KILLED AND 11 INJURED IN DISTURBANCE.

SEQUEL TO ATTACK ON THE POLICE.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

SINGAPORE, March 13th.

The police fired twice, killing six and injuring 11 Chinese, when the crowds got out of hand in the ardent excitement attending a demonstration to celebrate the anniversary of the death of Sun Yat Sen. A large party of night scholars having held a procession and blocked the traffic, European police inspector and two constables, in trying to clear the congestion, were assaulted and compelled to use their truncheons. The mob, later, attempted to rush the police station and on an inspector being severely wounded on the head, the police fired.

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[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

KERENSKY IN NEW YORK.

MEETS WITH LIVELY RECEPTION.

RECEIVES SMACKS INSTEAD OF ROSES.

WOMAN'S EXTRAORDINARY CONDUCT.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

NEW YORK, March 14th.

An audience of 5,000 tumultuously received Kerensky, on making his appearance on the stage of the Century Theatre to celebrate the tenth anniversary of the Russian Revolution, but uproar ensued when a woman monarchist approached the ex-Premier ostensibly to present a bouquet of roses. Instead of doing so, she resoundingly and repeatedly smacked his face. Kerensky, who remained impassive, waved back his friends who sought to lay hands upon his assailant. Kerensky, later, was heckled by Communists in the gallery and Monarchists in the stalls, but defied both factions, his address bristling with scorn and invective.

THE ENLARGED COUNCIL OF THE LEAGUE.

SIR AUSTEN CHAMBERLAIN EXPRESSES SATISFACTION.

THE SAAR ARRANGEMENT.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, March 13th.

Sir Austen Chamberlain, has arrived in London from Geneva. Interviewed by Reuter, Sir A. Chamberlain said that he was very pleased with the work of the enlarged Council of the League. He declared that the arrangement with regard to the Saar was evidence of the progress of the League.

German Press Dissatisfied.

BERLIN, March 13th.

The Press is not enthusiastic with regard to the Saar decision, as to which the extreme Nationalist journals sharply criticize Dr. Stresemann, and the *Deutsche Zeitung* demands that Germany quit the League and that Dr. Stresemann should resign.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

French and German Ministers Concede Points.

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Much satisfaction is felt in British circles at the solution of the difficulty.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

COLLISION ON AN INDIAN RAILWAY.

NINE KILLED; TWENTY INJURED.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

CALCUTTA, March 14th.

A collision between the Calcutta-Madras express and a goods train occurred at Bhadak, 180 miles from Calcutta. Nine persons were killed and twenty injured.

THE DUCHESS OF YORK.

"MAY NOW BE REGARDED AS CONVALESCENT."

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

WELLINGTON, March 13th.

The Duchess of York has arrived. A bulletin states that her condition is quite satisfactory and that the tonics she has nearly subsided, but that complete rest is essential to re-establish her health. She may now be regarded as convalescent, and no further bulletins will be issued.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

The Duke of York as Engine Driver.

RUOYI, March 13th.

The Duke of York is continuing his tour of the South Island alone and yesterday, on a journey from Greytown to Christchurch, he drove an electric train through a five miles tunnel. He afterwards drove a steam train, at times exceeding 50 miles an hour.

FINLAND - TIRED OF PROHIBITION.

INFLUENTIAL HELSINGFORS CITIZENS ISSUE A MANIFESTO.

STRONG CONDEMNATION.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

HELSINGFORS, March 13th.

On the occasion of the tenth anniversary of the enactment of prohibition, a number of prominent citizens, judges, clergymen, scientists, and businessmen have issued a manifesto declaring that prohibition has utterly failed. They alleged that it has introduced an atmosphere of hypocrisy and falsehood and is undermining the foundations of the community.

THE LEAGUE AND THE DRUG TRAFFIC.

FURTHER DETAILS OF IMPORTANT REPORT.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, March 13th.

The free port of Copenhagen, says the report (the first portion of which appeared in yesterday's issue) causes considerable anxiety inasmuch as it is extensively used for the illicit despatch of drugs from European countries and is also used as a convenient transshipment centre. The League Secretariat had been instructed to approach the Danish Government. The report reveals that the German police recently discovered the existence of an international band of smugglers carrying on the traffic to an "almost incredible extent." The orders for drugs mostly emanated from the Far East and operations were conducted chiefly through Copenhagen was the opinion expressed by this discovery by the same police. It was hoped that this would shed much light on the methods of the contrabandists as also the sources of supply.

The Council adopted a resolution, submitted by Sir A. Delevingne requesting the committee engaged in the manufacture and distribution of drugs to keep a check on the disposal of the drugs, so as to ensure that they should be supplied only to authorised persons. Sir A. Delevingne stated that there was little information regarding the source of the drugs, and urged that the investigation begin with the manufacturer or the large importer and proceed, step by step, in the chain of transactions until the leakage was discovered.

THE LEAGUE OF NATIONS AND CHINA.

WHY IT DOES NOT CONCERN ITSELF WITH THE CRISIS.

STATEMENT BY M. BRIAND.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

GENEVA, March 13th.

Talking to foreign Press correspondents after the close of the meetings of the Council, M. Briand, referring to China, remarked that the League could only undertake questions which it could juridically take up. As China was divided, he asked: "To whom then could an appeal from the League be made, and in what conditions? But, in principle, the thing was not impossible, should events take a turn enabling the League to occupy itself with the Chinese."

BASKET BALL.

YING WA COLLEGE TEAM CHAMPIONS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

The Wing Wa College basket ball team won the open league championship for 1927, in a game played at the Chinese Y.M.C.A. Gymnasium last evening, by a score of 90 to 25, defeating the Chinese Y.M.C.A. quint.

The Ying Wa College team did not lose a game during the season. Last year the team were runners up in the open league and champions of the school league. This year the Chung Hua team are runners up. The Ying Wa team was trained and coached by Mr. Richard Shim, headmaster of the College. Mr. Shim is also a star baseball player, being manager and captain of the South China Athletic Association baseball nine in Hong Kong. The S.C.A.A. baseball nine were last season's local champions, and thus Mr. Shim has the unique distinction of being head of two champion teams in Hong Kong.

FLYING TO THE FAR EAST.

SIX FLYING-BOATS TO PARTICIPATE IN FLIGHT.

NUCLEUS OF AIR FLEET.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, March 13th.

Six flying-boats, each fitted with 450 horse-power engines, will participate in the Far Eastern flight. They will follow the sea-route, and ultimately remain at Singapore, as the nucleus of an Air Fleet working in conjunction with the Australian Air Force.

SIX-DAY CYCLE RACE IN NEW YORK.

WIN FOR THE ITALIAN-AUSTRALIAN TEAM.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

New York, March 13th.

Macnamara and Georgetti, of the Australian-Italian team, won the six-day cycle race, covering 2,340.9-10 miles. They were only three-tenths of a mile ahead of the American team.

Macnamara has had to be encased in plaster and splints from the waist upwards owing to a spill. He led the field in the final.

M.C.C. TEAM IN DELHI.

BROWN'S BRILLIANT DISPLAY AT WICKETS.

ONE-DAY MATCH DRAWN.

New Delhi, February 20th.

The M.C.C. team arrived in Delhi today and were ready for their one-day match against Delhi and District within a few hours of their arrival. The weather was muggy and there was only a moderate attendance. The match was played on a matting wicket. Gilligan, Boyes and Tate were omitted from the team which defeated Aligarh Muslim University; and the M.C.C. were captained by Constable.

Sandham and Brown opened the innings and took the score to 107 before the Surrey player was taken at the wicket by Lieutenant H. J. Teddar off Mahmood Hussain. Wyatt joined Brown and when the latter had made 88, in which he hit nine 4's, play was interrupted by rain and the play adjourned for lunch. The M.C.C. total was then 122 for the loss of one wicket.

Brown's Brilliant Display.

On resuming Brown increased his score to 98 before being caught by Mahmood Hussain at square leg in trying to force away a ball from O. N. Elhence. Brown gave a faultless display of forcing cricket in which he hit thirteen 4's.

At Brown's dismissal the Tourists' score stood at 158 for 2 wickets. H. S. Milk sent back Wyatt. Eckersley did not stay long, and then Parsons and Astill raised the score to 233 for 4 wickets, at which point the innings was declared closed, Parsons being 13 and Astill 7.

The local players fared badly on going in to bat. At one, Major Mason Macfarlane, the captain, snatched a ball from Mercer into Brown's hands at slip, and Wyatt got Malik leg before for 6. Wickets fell rapidly after the tea interval, but at 99 for 9 stumps were drawn, the Delhi team thus narrowly averting defeat.

A. S. Demello was top-scorer with 23 not out, only three others reaching double figures.

Score:—

M.C.C.—1ST INNINGS.

Sandham, c Teddar, b Mahmood Hussain	56
Brown, c Hussain, b Elhence	98
Wyatt, l.b.w., b Malik	41
Eckersley, b Mahmood Hussain	12
Parsons, not out	15
Astill, not out	7
Extras	3

Total* (for 4 wks.) 232

* Innings declared closed.

Mahomed Hussain, c Teddar, b Mahmood Hussain

Elhence, 1 for 25; Malik, 1 for 40; Barclay, 0 for 61; King, 0 for 24.

DELHI AND DISTRICT—1ST INNINGS.

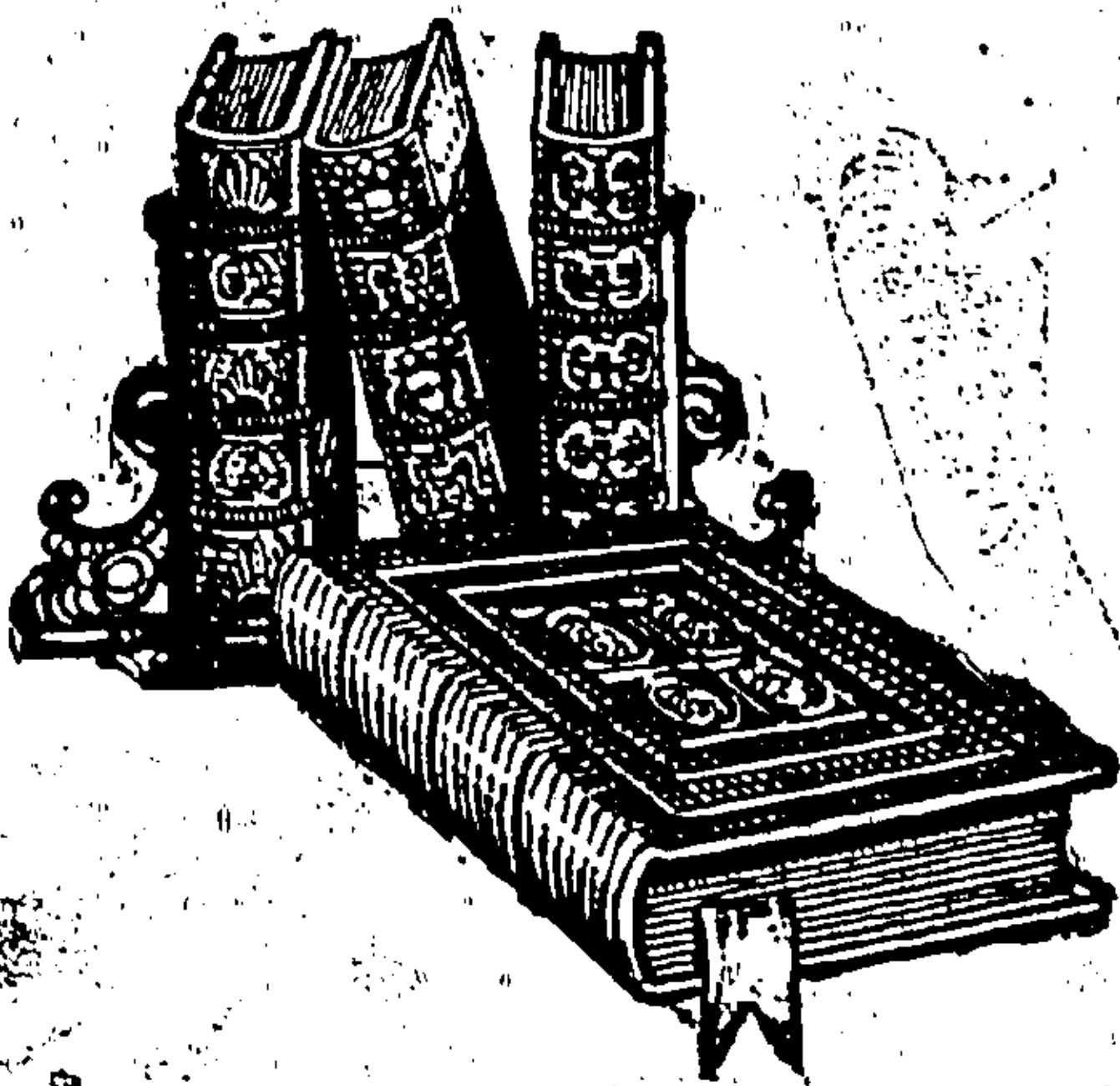
Major F. N. Mason-Macfarlane, c Brown, b Mercer	1
H. S. Milk, l.b.w., b Wyatt	6
O. N. Elhence, run out	17
S. S. Kapoor, c Hill, b Astill	16
L. Barclay, b Mercer	7
Capt. G. V. Gell, b Mercer	1
A. S. Demello, not out	23
Capt. J. T. Bretherton, c Parsons, b Astill	3
Lt. H. J. Teddar, b Astill	11
H. J. King, b Mercer	1
Mahomed Hussain, not out	2
Extras	4

Total (for 9 wks.) 92

BOWLING.

Mercer, 4 for 26; Astill, 3 for 18; Wyatt, 1 for 32.

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CORRESPONDENCE.

HOW AMERICA WAS
PEOPLED.

[TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HONG KONG
DAILY PRESS."]

SIR.—It is most gratifying to read that the World's leading scientists, archaeologists, and Explorers are now beginning to devote their time and attention to Mongolia and Chinese Turkestan, and I hope they will be able to confirm my 1914 discovery that the locality, bounded on the North by the Tien Shan mountains and on the South by the Kuen Lun mountains (Chinese Turkestan), of the Central Asian Plateau, is the Cradle of the Human Race and the "Garden of Eden" of Genesis of the Bible.

According to a Cambridge, Mass. telegram, dated February 1st, 1927, Dr. Alex Hrdlicka of the Smithsonian Institution believes that Columbus, Lief, the Lucky, and any others who have been called the discoverers of America were many hundreds of years behind the Asiatics in reaching the shores of America. He, an ethnologist, has completed an archaeological survey of Alaska which, he says, proves conclusively that the continent of America was first entered from the East. Many relics believed to be of Oriental origin were found. His conclusions, which shortly are to be announced, are expected to throw light on the racial relations between the Eskimo and the American Indian, which all help to confirm my 1914 findings, regarding the origin of the American Indian and kindred races of North and South America. (See my book "The Creation, The Real Situation of Eden, and the Origin of the Chinese," and "Map of the World as peopled by Noah's descendants.")

I hope Dr. Hrdlicka will also be able to confirm my finding that there have been two distinct and separate migrations of the Human Race from the Asiatic Continent into North America, viz (a) *Anti-diluvian* (Prehistoric), and (b) *Post-diluvian*.

The *Anti-diluvian* migration took place less than 10,000 years ago, when Siberia, and Alaska up to the Mackenzie River, were enjoying a warm and temperate climate, and before they became drowned by a Tidal Wave and suddenly frozen. It is evident that the Behring Sea land bridge, which once connected Asia with America, was violently torn asunder by the terrific seismic disturbance, which convulsed the World, upheaved Central Asia and sent a continent to the bottom of the Pacific.

This great physical change is proved by existing geological conditions, and the sudden destruction of the Prehistoric civilizations of the Mayas of America and the Ancient Egyptians (I to IV Dynasties), and other contemporary civilizations, and the mysterious "blank" in their histories. (See my book and 22 supplementary pamphlets and special articles.)

Their life and times are just beginning to be traced and revealed by the spade of the archaeologist, in all the *Lure's* areas of the World. The *Post-diluvian* migration took place less than 5,000 years ago, after all prehistoric civilizations of the different continents of the World had been drowned and destroyed by a Tidal Wave, caused by the great upheaval of Central Asia and the subsidence of a large mass of continental land in the Pacific Ocean.

This upheaval and subsidence of large masses of continental land resulted in the sudden shifting of the *Anti-diluvian* North Polar regions from the Centre of Greenland (about Latitude 75° and Longitude 40°) to their present position, suddenly freeing Alaska and Siberia, and causing the Arctic cold to retire from Canada and the North West Territory and Labrador, and also the Northern portions of Europe. And, this is the change that has mystified our scientists and geologists up to the present day.

This is clearly proved by the existing glacial and geological conditions of the countries affected by this sudden change, the sudden drowning, freezing and preservation of the mammoths in the ice of Siberia, the frozen "gravel islands" of the Lena gold fields, the rich alluvial soil and Alpine vegetation of Siberia and Alaska, and the rich *Lure's* deposits of the United States, which I fully dealt with in a long article of three instalments "What made the soil of the United States fertile," published in the *South China Morning Post*, dated November 17th, 1925.

This *Post-diluvian* migration took place, when Asia was repopled after the destruction of the World by the Tidal Wave of the Deluge, the Human Race being "reborn" on the upheaved heights of Tien Shan.

Another proof is the striking resemblance between the hair, eyes and features of Mongols, Eskimos, American Indians, Mexicans, Peruvians and other kindred races of North and South America, which is absolutely convincing of their common origin.

(Continued on next column).

CRICKET.

ROYAL NAVY AND
UNIVERSITY.LEAGUE RECORDS
SUMMARISED.

The Royal Navy and the University have concluded their League matches in the first division and the following lists show their respective records for the season.

Royal Navy.				
P.	W.	L.	D.	Pts.
9	5	2	2	17
Runs.				
Opponents.	For.	Agst.	Results.	
Indian R.C.	119	104	Won.	
Royal Artillery	118	118	Won.	
Craigengower	143	138	Won.	
Chinese R.C.	154	88	Won.	
University	174	116	Won.	
Kowloon C.C.	193	204	Lost.	
K.O.S.B.	148	183	Lost.	
Hong Kong C.C.	150	171	Drawn.	
Civil Service	191	245	Drawn.	

Best Batting Averages.
Lieut. Emley 61.50
Rev. Venn 50.00
Lieut. Col. Cantrell 55.00

Best Bowling Average.
Lieut. Comdr. Beatty: 325 runs for 23 wickets. Average 11.55.

University.				
P.	W.	L.	D.	Pts.
9	3	4	2	11
Runs.				
Opponents.	For.	Agst.	Results.	
Royal Artillery	183	115	Won.	
Chinese R.C.	270	73	Won.	
K.O.S.B.	274	116	Won.	
Indian R.C.	102	112	Lost.	
Kowloon C.C.	89	183	Lost.	
Craigengower	145	153	Lost.	
Royal Navy	193	201	Lost.	
Hong Kong C.C.	139	169	Drawn.	
Civil Service	173	198	Drawn.	

Best Batting Averages.
*A. A. Rumjahn 61.00
*S. V. Gittens 33.37
*B. P. Ng 30.50
*C. W. Lam 27.50
*Dr. D. K. Samy 26.80

*—Excluding figures for match against R.E. and Signals.
Best Bowling Average.
*A. A. Rumjahn: 342 runs for 31 wickets. Average 11.03.

*—Excluding figures for the above match.

K. B. S. F. P. A. MEET CHINA
LIGHT & POWER R.C.

A very interesting, but low scoring cricket match was played at King's Park on Sunday between the Kowloon British School Former Pupils' Association and the China Light and Power Recreation Club.

The Old Boys won by two wickets and 31 runs.

The latter team batted first and scored 77 runs. Hanstlin 25 and Miles 10 being the most successful batsmen, for the homesters Hedley 6 for 40 and Price 3 for 17 did most of the damage.

The Home team, however, could only reply with 21, the bowling of A. B. O'Connor 4 for 13 and Easterbrook 4 for 4 being far too good for the K.B.S.F.P.A.

In the second venture the China Light and Power scored 44 for 7 wickets, leaving the K.B.S.F.P.A. 100 runs to win in little over an hour which they did thanks mainly to E. R. Price 45 retired hurt while J. D. Murphy 19, Hedley 16, Kelly 16, and E. O. Murphy 12 brought the score to 131 for the loss of seven wickets.

LAWN TENNIS.

RAIN PREVENTS PLAY.

Rain again prevented any play yesterday and all the matches in the Hong Kong Cricket Club tournament were put off. This is the third time that the weather has interfered since the tournament started two weeks ago.

The following matches are down for decision to-day:—

Open Singles:—E. C. Fincher v. Iu Tak Lam.

Open Doubles:—Capt. Howard and Capt. Jacobs-Larcombe v. Cheong Tuck Wing and Hung Hui Chien v. Ng See Kweng and Ng See Cheung v. Major C. Willson and G. R. Sayer.

Club Singles:—R. M. Henderson v. Dr. D. J. Valentin.

Handicap Doubles:—Dr. J. C. Macgowan and M. M. Watson (res. 15/2) v. H. J. Armstrong and S. M. Carrard (res. 8/8), J. S. Kennedy and P. E. Barker (res. 15) v. H. E. Standage and H. R. Remington (5/8).

Evidence of the peopling of America from Asia, via Alaska is rapidly accumulating, and it is hoped Dr. Sven Eddin, the well-known Swedish explorer, who is at present in Peking, and who has decided upon an expedition into the North Western regions of China, Kansu, Western Mongolia and Chinese Turkestan for Scientific research, will be successful in helping to throw much light on the World-absorbing question of where the different races of Mankind came from, and how they peopled the World—Yours truly,
TSE TSAN TAI.
Hong Kong, March 14th, 1927.

GOLF.

THE MEN'S FOURSOMES.

The following are the results in the second round of the men's foursomes—which has now been completed:—

T. D. E. Pendered (3) and W. A. Butterfield (16) beat Lieut. C. L. Robertson (9) and Surgeon-Comdr. G. B. Cockrem (9) by 6 up and 5 to play.

T. L. Christie (9) and D. J. Gilmore (14) beat C. L. Sandes (9) and E. L. Sim (18) at the 20th hole.

T. Ramsay (14) and C. D. Lambert (18) beat W. Ironside (—) and J. S. McLaren (—) 1 up.

Capt. E. W. Morris (8) and D. G. Bruce (10) beat A. Leach (11) and C. C. Stark (4) at the 19th hole.

The semi-final round, in which winners of the second round meet in the order given above, has to be completed on or before Sunday, March 27th. The final is fixed for Sunday, April 10th.

YACHTING.

TIE IN CRUISERS CHAMPIONSHIP.

Yesterday we were only able to give brief details of the result of the first championship for the cruisers of the Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club; finishing times only being available.

Below are the more complete details of the race, which was round Hong Kong Island, a distance of 24 miles.

Coquette and *U and I* tie with 44 points each for first place. Seven boats started, and five finished. Conditions were by no means ideal.

La Cigale (Mr. N. V. A. Croucher), the scratch boat, led at Stanley Point but was subsequently passed by Mr. H. Dryer's *Coquette*. The former finished first, saved her time and took first place on the race, *Coquette* was beaten again near Repulse Bay and crossed the line second, being also second on handicap.

Norseman (Mr. L. E. N. Ryan) was third both on corrected and finishing times. *U and I* (Mr. H. S. Rouse) finished fourth but fell back to fifth on handicap. *Queen Bee* (Captain Howard) was fifth on finishing time, but fourth on corrected.

In the list given below, the cruisers are mentioned in order of finishing. Positions gained in the race are mentioned in parenthesis and the total points for the season are given last.

Coquette and *U and I* will either have to sail for first place, or the committee will have to come to a decision.

	Finish- ing Times.	Cor- rected Times.	Pts.
<i>La Cigale</i> (1st)	5:21.35	5:21.35	43
<i>Coquette</i> (2nd)	6:10.53	5:38.53	44
<i>Norseman</i> (3rd)	7:52.50	7:00.50	33
<i>U and I</i> (5th)	8:32.02	8:08.02	44
<i>Queen Bee</i> (4th)	8:59.42	7:57.42	18
<i>Brenda</i>	did not finish	12	
<i>Lady Jean</i>	did not finish	0	

HOCKEY.

INTERPORT MATCH AT
SIAMEN.

The annual interport hockey match between the Hong Kong Hockey Club and Siamen was played there on Sunday, the Hong Kong team winning by three goals to nil.

For Hong Kong, Jacobs-Larcombe, Daad and Hunter scored.

The Hong Kong team was:—Garrod, Wedlake and Lyon; Gardner, Daad (captain), and Nicholson, Southern, Thomas, Jacobs-Larcombe, Hunter and Saunderson.

K.B.S.F.P.A. v. Club de Recreio.
The King's Park ground of the K.B.S.F.P.A. was the scene of a very enjoyable Hockey match on Sunday, when the Former Pupils were defeated by the Club de Recreio by seven goals to four. The game was very fast and clean throughout but the Recreio showed much better combination in the forward line than did their opponents although the defenders of the Home team asserted themselves and played very well together. The game closed with the K.B.S. team pressing hard.

The following represented the K.B.S.F.P.A.:—Nicholls, Matchin, Jeffries, Lawson, Raitton, Thorpe, Punched, Greenhalgh, Whitley, Kinross and Pearne.

BILLIARDS.

Playing at the Royal Naval Yard Canteen on Saturday night, a team from H.M.S. *Providence* defeated the Royal Naval Dockyard Police at billiards by 300 points to 765. The teams were six a side and played 150 up.

UNIVERSITY SPORTS.

Arrangements have been made to hold the annual athletic meeting of the Hong Kong University on the Pokfulam ground on Saturday, March 26th.

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ROUND THE WORLD DOLLAR LINER ARRIVES.

DETAILS OF FREIGHT AND PASSENGERS.

The *a.s. President Van Buren*, on voyage ten, and now en route for Manila, and from thence via ports to Europe and back to New York, arrived in Hong Kong at 7 a.m. yesterday.

The liner had fifty passengers, of whom five disembarked at Hong Kong, and over 7,000 tons of cargo, 918 tons of which was discharged here. Included in the Hong Kong cargo were the following:—

Gold	5 pkgs.
Shoes	117 "
Hardware	281 "
Soda	21 "
Autos	47 "
Auto parts	53 "
Cheese	83 "
Canned goods	3,717 "
Old newspapers	1,000 "
Tin plate	3,200 "
Fruit	304 "
Structural metal	475 "
Gingerroot	36 "
Elect. supplies	73 "
Leather	77 "
Dyes	336 "
Cereals	435 "
Pharm. products	326 "
General cargo	473 "

Total 10,881 pkgs.

Prominent Passengers.

Among the passengers on board were:—

Mr. H. E. Bowen, retired automobile dealer of Los Angeles, Calif., making a world tour.

Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Bridge and son, a rancher of a Acapulco, Calif., where they own large grape vineyards, making a tour of the world.

Mr. R. J. Wright, electrical engineer of Cleveland, Ohio, going round the world.

Mr. Walter and Mr. Frank Winicki, candy manufacturers of Wausau, Wisconsin, going round the world.

Mr. Max Basker, Oriental representative of the American Lead Pencil Company of New York, en route to Manila, on his fourteenth Oriental business trip.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis N. McCargher, accompanied by their daughter, Miss Mary Elizabeth, going round the world.

Mr. Wilhelm Herthel, returning to Hong Kong, where he is connected with the Deutsche Asiatische Bank of Canton.

Mr. Max Jansen, on a business trip through the Far East. Mr. Jansen is connected with Harburger Gumminwarenfabrik Phoenix of Hamburg, Germany.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Freeman, newspaperman of New York City, touring the world.

Dr. C. H. Beale and wife, is pastor of the Grand Avenue Congregational Church of Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Mr. Chas. D. Pike, connected with the Union Pacific Railway Company of Los Angeles, Calif., travelling through the Orient in the interest of future tourist business with his company.

Dr. and Mrs. C. C. Ross, "doctor of Clarion, Penn., going round the world.

Mr. George McCarthy, assistant general passenger agent of the Dollar Steamship Line to Manila, on business.

The *President Van Buren* also brought mails from U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai. She sails for Manila to-day at 8 a.m.

Other "President" Boats.

Also scheduled to arrive here yesterday was the *a.s. President Cleveland*, but she will not arrive until to-day. She will also bring mails from America and Northern ports. The *President Cleveland* new sails from Hong Kong for Manila to-morrow at 3 p.m., returns here later, and sails for Seattle on the 23rd inst.

The *President Grant* leaves here to-day at 8 a.m. for San Francisco, via Northern ports, carrying many passengers and mails.

Other Arrivals.

Other arrivals yesterday included the *Kum Sang* with Home papers, via Nipponmaru (London, February 10th), the *Taiyo Maru* from America and the North with mails from those ports, and several coast steamers, of which other details are given in our shipping column.

PRINCESS JULIANA OF HOLLAND.

The Princess Juliana, who will be 18 on April 30th, is to become a student at Leyden University next autumn. She will attend a number of courses in subjects which are of particular interest to her or which are considered as of special importance in view of her future position. During her attendance at the university the Princess will occupy a house at Katwyck-sur-Mer, which will be specially placed at her disposal.—*Reuter*.

CHRISTENING OF SHIPS.

NEW WAY OF BREAKING TRADITIONAL BOTTLE.

SURVIVAL OF CRUEL VIKING RITES.

Though now little more than a social ceremony, the launching of ships has been attended by certain rites from time immemorial. The Vikings used to propitiate their sea god by the sacrifice of a slave bound upon the launching slip, and over whose body the new ship passed in taking the water. They believed that the gods demanded a life for every vessel launched, and surely, it was better to lose a slave than a hardy Norseman.

This barbarous custom was, however, dropped with the advent of Christianity, but so imbued were these semi-pagans with fear of their ancient gods that they compromised by offering a goat in the place of a slave.

Breaking the Bottle.

The custom of breaking the bottle began in the days of the Georges, when one of the Princesses of the House of Hanover was paid the compliment of being asked to sponsor one of his Majesty's ships of war. The Royal lady unfortunately threw the bottle with more energy than accuracy, and previously injured one of the spectators at the ceremony, whose consequent claim for damages against the Admiralty may still be seen at the Public Record Office.

Since then the bottle has always been suspended from the bows by a cord, to prevent a recurrence of the unfortunate accident.

Georgian Method Comes Back.

Judging from the recent launching of the *Aradora* by Lady Edmund Vestry, one is inclined to think that the Georgian Method of breaking the traditional bottle is coming back to stay. Instead of allowing the bottle of champagne to swing on its cord, Lady Vestry struck the stem of the vessel with the bottle which she firmly held in her hand. In this way she not only "christened" the ship, but sprinkled herself and her frock liberally.

Another instance which goes to show that the Georgian method is being re-adopted, and may stay permanently (say a couple of years!) is that fact that Princess Mary "christened" the huge battleship *Rudnev* at Birkenhead last year only after the third throw of the champagne bottle.

THE LUXURY YACHT.**A DREAM CRAFT.**

The \$30,000 luxury yacht *Cruiser*, which has been built in Southampton for Mr. A. K. Macomber, the American millionaire race horse owner, is almost ready for her official trials. Three hundred workmen have been busily putting finishing touches to her, and every minute she becomes more like the miniature palace she is intended to be.

I have spent an envious day exploring her. *Cruiser* is a dream craft, says a *Daily Express* correspondent. Beauty of design, workmanship, and material are allied to every kind of modern convenience to make her as nearly perfect for racing but is to be a floating home. She is a nest of unexpected cabins and state-rooms, each one more daintily decorated than the one before, and hidden contrivances for comfort and pleasure.

You turn a corner, go below decks, and come upon a dining-room like a well-appointed room in some modern house, panelled in dove grey, which oxidized silver fittings and tiled dropceiling. Mahogany buffets and side-board reflect the soft lighting.

The yacht, of 547 tons, is 173 feet long from stem to stern, and every inch of space has been utilised to give home-like living conditions for guests and her crew of twenty-one.

Beds, Ice Drinks and Broadcasting.

Mr. Macomber's own stateroom is a spacious apartment furnished in the prevailing mahogany. A full-size bed is to be placed in the centre of the room. The bathroom is tucked cunningly away in one corner.

An electrical refrigerator has been installed to provide ice drinks direct to the dining-room if the tropical sun so orders. Miles of hidden wiring to all parts of vessel and a multi-valve broadcast set bring concerts from all over the world by the turn of a switch and the insertion of a plug.

You may cruise six thousand knots without touching port if fancy dictates at a speed of thirteen knots on the two 400-horse-power Diesel engines. Some idea of the cost of running *Cruiser* can be gathered from the fact that the wages bill for officers and crew will be more than \$5,000 a year.

FULL STEAM AHEAD.

A NAVAL OFFICER AND THE CHINA STATION.

The command of a gunboat on the Yangtze or West River was in pre-war days one of the most coveted jobs in the British Navy, says H.M. in the *Spectator*.

Once out of sight of his admiral, the junior officer in the enviable position had then simply to order "Full speed ahead both," and vanish discreetly out of the Supreme Presence.

No salute of guns could recall him, no flutter of coloured flags at the masthead or wink of night-signalling lamps could thereafter trouble his detached serenity.

And there was no doubt about it either: the policemen of those remote and often turbulent waterways, the terror of river pirates, and the only admittedly unprejudiced arbitrator in international or private feuds, the gunboat captain was a figure of more than ordinary significance.

To-day, even if much of the old independence has been lost through the knitting together of outpost commands, service on the China Station is still exciting and varied enough to be considered quite the best thing the Admiralty has to offer.

Close Quarters.

During the troubles the river-gunboats are in the thick of things, as they have been lately. When fighting has to be done it is usually at close quarters, the little ship sidling up alongside her enemy—a pirate junk bristling with fearsome cannon, or an armed "Red" tramp steamer—and tackling the job as Drake's sailors did on the Spanish Main, by boarding and hand-to-hand combat.

"All hands repel boarders—now then, stand by for it, boy!" It sounds like an anachronism, cry out of the romantic stirring past: but the writer has heard that very order given.

For the more adventurous spirits this ever-present possibility of active service is doubtless the chief attraction of the China Station; but even in normal times—or perhaps, one should call the rare intervals of quiet in China abnormal times—the life is far from hum-drum.

There are, for instance, the spring and autumn race-meetings at Shanghai and Hankow, uproarious festivals not to be missed for worlds.

Shuttlecock Existence.

One may charter a house-boat, go shooting duck and golden pheasants in the enchanted country of the lotus ponds; or, if the afternoons are oppressive with heat and patrol duties light, grant oneself a few days' leave at some airy mountain-top resort such as Kuling, the Chinese Simla.

The river-ports have their night-life too: probably not even Paris can boast so many cabarets as Shanghai—real, gaily lawless cabarets, not the pretentious night-club affairs where one merely gets robbed.

Nowadays, however, it is the life of the large ships, whose cruising range extends from the Siberian coast to Borneo, rather than of the river gunboats, that appeals most generally.

To be properly prepared for such a shuttlecock existence as obtains in the sea-going cruiser squadron one's kit must include not only the full tropical outfit, solar topee and sunglasses, but the warmest of winter gear as well.

Hot and Cold.

Obviously so, on a station where it is quite possible to find oneself bathing in tepid equatorial seas scarcely more than a week after one has been shivering over a fire in Vladivostok Bay!

While serving in the China Station the writer was in the habit of keeping an intermittent scrap diary, one or two extracts from which may be found as illuminating as any full description of naval life out there could be.

The ship had passed through the Inland Sea of Japan at the time of the cherry-blossom—surely the nearest approach to Fairyland to be found anywhere on earth, with those little wooden houses at the water's edge, the white sailed fishing-crafts, and the clouds of dancing petals—and was on a south-western course for Wei-hai-wei and eventually Hong Kong for gunnery practice.

A typhoon, however, intervened. And here the diary, though bald, is perhaps graphic enough.

Diary Extracts.

"Ran slap into the thing," it reads, "in the morning watch. Two cutters smashed to atoms and forward gun put out of action. Man lost overboard. Sick as a cat—hell!" (Continued at foot of next column.)

SHIPPING MOVEMENTS.

The N.D.L. *a.s. Trier* left Shanghai on Sunday morning and is expected to arrive in Hong Kong to-morrow (Wednesday) morning. She will sail for Europe via Manila, Singapore and ports on the same day at 5 p.m.

The P. & O. *a.s. Morca*, from Hong Kong, arrived in London on March 11th at 5 a.m.

The R.M.S. *Empress of Asia* arrived at Nagasaki on Monday, left that port the same day, and is due at Kobe at 3.00 p.m. to-day.

The P. & O. *a.s. Nyanza* left Shanghai for this port on the 13th inst. at 7.30 a.m. and is due here on the 18th about 7 a.m.

WEATHER REPORT.

Yesterday's weather report, forecast and remarks issued by the Royal Observatory at 6 p.m. stated: Anti-cyclone has strengthened slightly. A depression is still shown over Indo-China. Local forecast:—East winds, moderate, overcast, rain, mist.

IN TOUCH.

The following ships were expected to be in wireless communication with Hong Kong yesterday:—

President Cleveland, *President Van Buren*, *Portia*, *General Metcalf*, *Kiang Tung*, *Tienchang*, *Talga*, *Tymon*, *Zimbaro*, *Chirac*, *Yupora*, *Szechuen*, *Towkin*, *Amoy*, *Maria*, *Horan*, *Maru*, *Takawa Maru*, *President Grant*...

SUNRISE AND SUNSET IN HONG KONG.

FOR MARCH, 1927.

STANDARD TIME OF THE 120th MERIDIAN, EAST OF GREENWICH.

March	15th	Sunrise	Sunset
	15th	6.33 a.m.	6.33 p.m.
	16th	6.33	6.33
	17th	6.32	6.33
	18th	6.31	6.33
	19th	6.30	6.34
	20th	6.28	6.34
	21st	6.27	6.34
	22nd	6.28	6.35
	23rd	6.28	6.36
	24th	6.25	6.36
	25th	6.24	6.36
	26th	6.23	6.36
	27th	6.22	6.37
	28th	6.21	6.37
	29th	6.19	6.37
	30th	6.18	6.38
	31st	6.18	6.38

Dangerous goods manifested were 45 cylinders of gas by *Kiukung* from Shanghai, 79 drums of arrack by *Tijaroom* from Straits.

HONG KONG METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

Hong Kong Observatory, March 14th.

Previous On Date On Date	Day	at 2 p.m.	6 a.m.	2 p.m.
Barometer...	29.75	29.84	29.80	
Temperature...	83	54	64	
Humidity...	83	54	64	
Wind...				
Direction...		E	E	E
Force...	0	2	6	5
Weather...	0	OD	OM	
Rain...	0.01	0.00	0.10	

Highest open-air Temperature, 13th: 77
Lowest open-air Temperature, 14th: 59

B=Blue sky; C=Cloudy; D=Drizzle; F=Fog; L=Lightning; M=Mist; O=Overcast; P=Passing showers; Q=Squalls; R=Rain; T=Thunder.

HONG KONG TIDE TABLE.

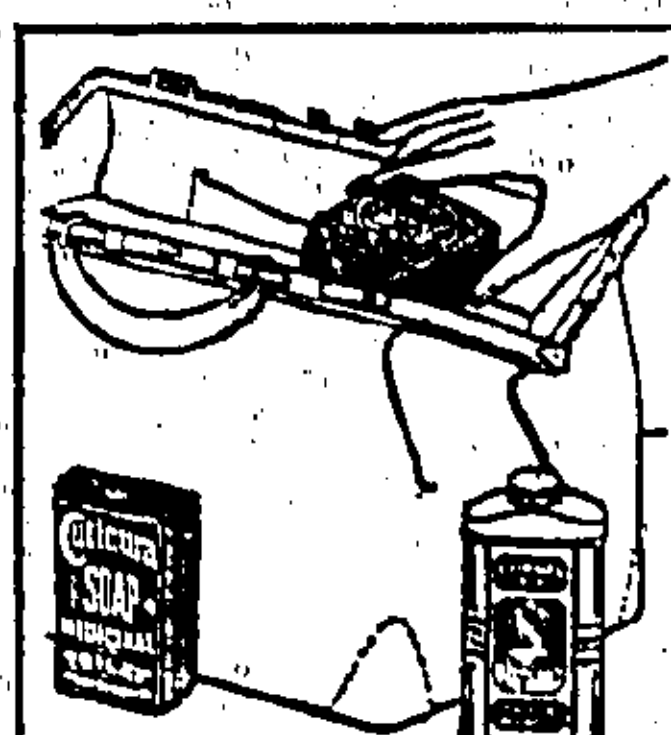
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HIGH WATER. LOW WATER.

Day of Week	Date	Hong Kong Standard Time	Height	Hong Kong Standard Time	Height
Tues.	15	h. m.	h. m.	h. m.	h. m.
		9 12	4 5	9 12	1 3
		7 52	3 7	1 18	3 6
Wed.	16	9 32	4 6	2 44	1 2
		8 37	3 7	2 43	3 2
Thurs.	17	9 49	4 8	3 14	1 2
		9 15	3 7	2 44	3 8
Fri.	18	10 5	5 0	3 43	1 2
		9 54	3 6	3 22	2 5
Sat.	19	10 20	5 2	4 11	1 4
		10 23	4 4	3 27	2 4
Sun.	20	10 38	5 4	4 38	1 7
		10 49	6 0	4 35	2 3
Mon.	21	10 54	6 5	5 3	2 0
		11 15	5 6	5 11	2 3

Then, several days later: "Hong Kong at last, thank the stars. Turned in and slept for twelve hours. Went ashore in the afternoon and played tennis with the captain's daughters. Swiss. In the evening went into the Chinese quarter and smoked a pipe of opium just to see what it felt like. No effect."

A day or two on "Torpedo running. Hear we are soon off up north again—trouble at Amoy. Curious what a life it is. What a crowded, fascinating life it is indeed!"

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Hong Kong, 14th March, 1927.

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All Claims must reach us by 23rd March, 1927, or they will not be recognized.

All damaged Packages will be examined by Messrs. Goddard and Douglas (Marine Surveyors) at 10 a.m. on the 18th March, 1927.

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Hong Kong, 14th March, 1927.

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WEIHAIWEI, CHEFOO & TIENTSIN	"HUICHOW"	On 20th Mar.	4 p.m.
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ARRIVALS.

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March 17th.	Per s.s. <i>Corona</i> , Norwegian str., 1,013 tons, Capt. O. M. Klette, from Canton, lying at buoy No. B51.—Dodwell & Co.
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March 19th.	Per s.s. <i>Bellerophon</i> , British str., 5,743 tons, Capt. N. M. Collins, from Singapore, with a general cargo, lying at Holt's Wharf.—B. & S.
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March 23rd.	Per s.s. <i>Poo Tye</i> , Chinese str., 743 tons, Capt. A. Laidovetsky, from Pakhoi and Hoihow, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. C18.—Tay Sing.
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March 28th.	Per s.s. <i>Vulcanus</i> , Dutch str., 707 tons, Capt. E. D. de Muinck, from Miri, with kerosene in bulk, lying at Taihookau.—A.P.C.
March 29th.	Per s.s. <i>West Nomenium</i> , American str., 3,522 tons, Capt. G. J. Linnander, from Portland and Lepaspi, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. A25.—Columbia Pacific S.S. Co.
March 30th.	Per s.s. <i>Amazona Maru</i> , Japanese str., 4,823 tons, Capt. S. Machibara, from Yokohama and Shanghai, with cotton yarn and general cargo, lying at buoy No. A4.—O.S.K.
March 31st.	Per s.s. <i>Hai King</i> , British str., 832 tons, Capt. W. C. Passmore, from Swatow, with a general cargo, lying at Douglas Wharf.—Douglas S.S. Co.
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April 2nd.	Per s.s. <i>Klyber</i> , British str., 9,114 tons, Capt. C. Hester, from London, which port she left on January 29th, with a general cargo, lying at Kowloon Wharf.—Mackinnon, Mackenzie & Co.
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PASSENGERS.

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